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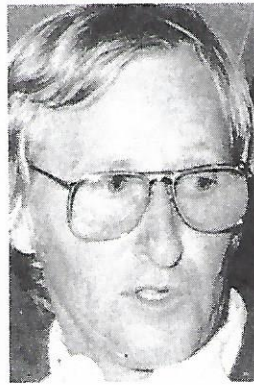
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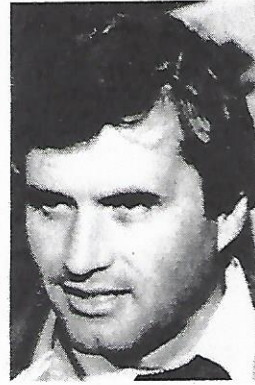
COACHING GIANTS FORM TV PANEL



TOMMY DOCHERTY, coach of Sydney Olympic and former Scottish national coach.



RUDI GUTENDORF, coach of the Socceroos, former coach of Chile.



RALE RASIC, former Australian national coach, now with Blacktown.

HUGH JOHNS: And so, with those two absolutely marvellous goals by the former Liverpool striker, Alan Evans, South Melbourne moved into first place on the Philips League ladder. And poor old Sydney Olympic remains deep in despair, pondering what might have been had it not sacked Tommy Docherty mid-way through the season. But then, Tommy is as well accustomed to such setbacks as Olympic is to a rapid turnover of personnel. How did you see the match, Tommy...

TOMMY DOCHERTY: It reminded me of two pub teams in London. I wouldn't take any of the South Melbourne players if they offered them for free and as for Olympic, they could have been a good team had they given me a training ground with goal posts. How can you tell your centre forward to curl the ball inside the near sock? How can I work under such circumstances? I was with Manchester United, ye ken... and Chelsea... and Aston Villa...

RUDI GUTENDORF: Zey are not fit, zese boys. Zey must make more training. Zey do not haf ze discipline. Most haf not been in ze army, so ze coach must make ze discipline...

DOCHERTY: and Queen's Park Rangers...

RALE RASIC: When I was national coach, the clubs trained only once or twice a week and now they train four or five nights a week but still we qualified for the World Cup. The players were fat like pigs and unfit completely but we qualified because I am a great coach...

DOCHERTY: and Oporto...

GUTENDORF: I am a great coach, I am a great coach... you make me sick viz the great coach rubbish. I show you great coach — — Schalke, Muenchen, Chile, St. Louis Stars, Botswana, Tunisia...

DOCHERTY: ... and Scotland, and did I mention Manchester United? I won an FA Cup there, you know... and

RASIC: He, I pulled Australian soccer out of the stone age. They didn't know what professionalism was before I showed them. Why do you think we qualified for the World Cup finals?

DOCHERTY: ... and Derby, and...

GUTENDORF: Anybody can make a team viz old men from England — — viz sagt man... viz pensioners! I make it viz young boys! Eighteen years old, fifteen — — I can make it viz 10 years old! I make soccer for ze future of



LAURIE SCHWAB

Australia. If ve don't vin ze World Cup zis time, ve vin it in 1998!

DOCHERTY: ... and Sydney Olympic... shite, I'll forget about that one

GUTENDORF: But only if ze boys are fit. Ve must make more training.

RASIC: You show me your training programme. I have 7895 training programmes from 794 Yugoslav coaches and from Joe Venglos who is the greatest coach the world has ever seen... apart from me of course.

GUTENDORF: Arthur George does not sink so...

RASIC: What does he know?

DOCHERTY: and I played for Arsenal you know. Did you hear the one about...

HUGH JOHNS: Most enlightening, gentlemen, but getting back to the match under discussion, one must surely marvel at the deft touches, the boundless courage, the immense enthusiasm of the South Melbourne left back, Alan Davidson.

DOCHERTY: Rubbish, everybody raves about the lad but I wouldn't take him if you threw in the rest of the pub team for free. I mean he's not your Martin Buchan, or Joe Jordan, is he?

RASIC: Unbelievable player, unbelievable. He's from the Altona area, Hugh, and as everyone knows, I played a major part in developing junior soccer in Victoria... Remember my State under 16 team that won the national championship in 1970? That probably gave him his inspiration...

JOHNS: When he was eight years old, you mean...

GUTENDORF: Zis Davidson... he looks, viz sagt man... familiar? He has been in my national team, I sink...

DOCHERTY: You heard the one about the Irish soccer team...

Yes, ladies and gentlemen, it's the Gutendorf, Rasic, Docherty show, brought to you live every Friday at 6.30 pm by Channel 0.

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And Channel 0 sports chief Peter Skelton is in London trying to sign up Hugh Johns as compere.

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**Gutendorf,
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Rasic show**

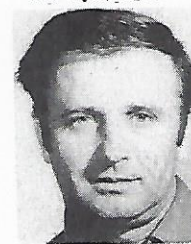
Giants win Cup, Marocchi the top scorer

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Also included in the show will be film of an overseas match, film of State League games, player profiles, "Goal of the Month" and "Save of the Month" competitions, viewers' correspondence, a run-down of league leaders in other countries, news about transfers and viewers' correspondence.

Spiced with the expertise, wit and ebullience of Docherty, Gutendorf and Rasic, the show should be a hit.

Over to you, Hugh . . .



Dr Josef Venglos

ADELAIDE CITY GIANTS 2 (Melta 49th, Villani 54th) CUMBERLAND 0, South Australian Ampol Cup final at Hindmarsh Stadium.

GIANTS: Marshall 7, Russell 8, B. Nyskohus 7, Miller 8, Jones 7, Villani 7, Northcote 8 (Rankin), Melta 7, Marocchi 8, J. Nyskohus 7, (Signore), Mitchell 8.

CUMBERLAND: Johnson 7, Leane 7, Parks 8, Hawes 9, Ball 8, Reeves 7, (G. Pankhurst), Dobney 7, Leane 7, Welsh 8, Evans 7, Mahoney 7.

The Adelaide City Giants swept past Cumberland 2-0 to clinch their fifth Ampol Cup at Hindmarsh Stadium last Wednesday night.

Mike Ball's Cumberland Foxes failed to repeat their

semi-final form although it pressed the Giants for long periods. Cumberland employed the same tactics which were successful against the West Adelaide Hawks.

They stuck close to the Giants after a tentative opening and frustrated them with solid tackling.

But the Foxes were fortunate to be level 0-0 at half time. The Giants could have seen the game up in the first six minutes but failed to score from any of their four scoring chances.

David Mitchell and John Nyskohus split the Cumberland defence in this opening period but thanks to some resolute defence from Chris Hawes, the Foxes hung on.

Cumberland got better as the match progressed and

Meno Toutsidis



tested Peter Marshall on numerous occasions. But they had a mountain to climb when Sergio Melta and Charlie Villani scored in the first 14 minutes of the second half.

First Melta tore into the penalty area to slide a superb shot past Kevin Johnson and then Villani fired powerfully from close in after 54 minutes.

But Cumberland did not surrender. David Leane had a great opportunity to bridge the gap late in the game, but he shot straight at Marshall.

The success meant that the Giants won all five Ampol Cup matches, scoring 15 goals in the process.

But its success in the competition only further highlighted the fact that after three PSL matches it had failed to score a goal and more importantly it had failed to win a match.

LEADING SCORERS IN THE AMPOL CUP:
6 - Marocchi (Giants)
5 - Villani (Giants)
4 - Boyle (Hawks)
3 - McGregor (Hawks)

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— LAURIE SCHWAB

PHILIPS CUP FIRST ROUND

PRESTON MAKE-DONIA 3 (Ollerton 73rd & penalty 85th, Brown 81st) FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 1 (Cozzella 68th), Philips Cup first round, at Olympic Park, Wednesday night, crowd about 3500 (double header).

PRESTON: Kastner 6 - Rainey 6, Petrovski 7, Higham 6, Beech 6 - Faulkner 7, Little 6 (Ward 64th), Lucchessi 8 - Cullen 9, Ollerton 8, Brown 6.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 9 - Milne 7, Konderos 7, Kyriakoulas 6, Hazabent 7 - Jovanovic 5, Piccione 7, Petrov 5 (Belic 70th), Ilioski 6 - Simic 5 (Vasic 60th), Cozzella 7.

Referee: Chris Brambridge 7.

MATCH RATING: 7.

This was Preston's third straight victory over Footscray - 4-1 and 1-0 in the Victoria Cup late last year and now this 3-1 - for an aggregate goals tally of 8:2. Not bad in anyone's language.

It must have been a satisfying night for Peter Ollerton - two goals to add to the one he scored in that 4-1 victory - against the team that sold him for \$10,000 mid-way through last season.

Ollerton, who has seen action with Wertheim, AFA, Marconi and South Melbourne, is looking sharper and slimmer than he did last year and he seems to be enjoying his soccer a lot more. Some of the through balls he played were a delight to watch.

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Players out 10 years, club suspended

West Melbourne was suspended from competition in the Victorian Provisional League Division as a result of last week's investigation into an abandoned Provisional League Cup match two weeks ago.

The suspension will last for the first half of this season but West Melbourne still has to exercise its right of appeal.

Two West Melbourne players, C. Ditto and C. Cisantes, were suspended for 10 years each.

The VSF investigation concerned allegations arising out of the match between Wests and Karingal.

It was alleged the referee was attacked by players from West Melbourne.

Was the ref wrong?

clear from its area. Anton Dosen slammed a loose ball home from close range.

Fabio Incantulupo had Juve's best first half chance but Hakoah keeper Mike Fryzzer reacted quickly to spread himself well and save Incantulupo's attempt to slip the ball over Fryzzer's body.

Few spectators would have expected the drama which enveloped an exciting second half.

When it seemed that Hakoah would sneak home Juve substitute Mendo Ristovski turned the game around in spectacular fashion.

Ristovski always had the flair for the unpredictable but who could have envisaged him swivelling around to face the Hakoah goal from 30 metres out and slamming a fierce dipping drive into the top near corner of goal? Certainly not Fryzzer who was taken completely unawares.

Within a minute Hakoah was back in the lead.

Andy McMillan's poor back pass put Juve keeper Alex Fantome under extreme pressure. The ball bounced free and just as Harry Hird swung his boot to clear, the ball spun away and into the path of Graham McMillan who stroled into the unmarked goal and stroked the ball into the back of the net.

Then Bobby McGuinness, who was having a quiet game, dummed a Hakoah defender just inside Juve's attacking half and sent an inch perfect through ball to Incantulupo.

The young Juve striker beat Fryzzer in the race to the ball and this time succeeded in slipping it under Fryzzer's body.

Both sides threw caution out the back door as they strove to

clinch the game and with the crowd on its toes the all important 84th minute controversy erupted.

Young Michael Gesso had a great game for Hakoah and he crossed from the right trying to find Dosen who was charging toward goal. Gesso's well timed cross was well positioned to jump up and pluck the ball out of the air. As he clasped the ball with both hands Dosen came barging through, collided with Fantome and John Creany and the ball rolled into the Juve goal.

Referee Voutsinas, in full view of the incident, had no hesitation in pointing to the centre spot and running toward the half way line as angry Juve players charged toward him. But their remonstrations were in vain.

To compound his crime in the eyes of the Juve players and bench, Voutsinas stopped play to allow young Gesso to receive treatment for a heavy knock. Ten minutes earlier he waited until the ball was out of play before allowing the Juve trainer to treat Creany who had lain immobile for some time.

Inconsistency was Voutsinas' greatest shortcoming.

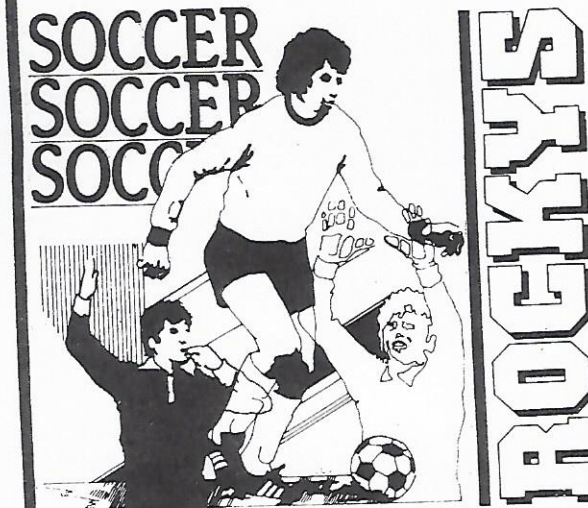
The price he paid was facing the wrath of the Juve supporters and coach Wilson at the end of the game.

The price Juve paid was the loss of prestige and the possibility of a lucrative second round draw in the Philips Cup.

You're only as good as your last game is a well known adage. It applies to referees as much as to players.

It's up to Dennis Voutsinas to prove himself when he next steps out as the man in black.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE



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Rasic tells all in new book

A controversial and informative new book by former national coach Rasic is expected to be published this year.

It is believed that in the book, Rasic tells for the first time, the full story about his split with the Australian Soccer Federation in late 1974 - a split that always has been the subject of conjecture.

Apparently he writes for the first time about the tactics employed in World Cup games, and the exact instructions he gave to his players - players like Jimmy Rooney, Ray Bartz, Max Tolson, Ray Richards, Atilla Abonyi, Billy Vojtek.

As the book is intended to coincide with Australia's World Cup campaign, Rasic is said to have devoted a large part of it to the Soccer Cup chances. He apparently analyses the Australian players as well as the opponents.

He writes about the family lives of the semi-professional players, the very human problems they must overcome, and he devotes part of the book to his concept of junior coaching.

The future of Australian soccer, as well as the future of inter-club clubs is also discussed in detail.



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Giampaolo moves — now Picioane?

The big moves have started — some real, some rumored, some dreamt up by fertile imaginations.

Sebastian Giampaolo has transferred from Canberra City to APIA Leichhardt. No transfer fee has been released but Canberra coach George Murray said "close enough" to a suggestion of \$20,000.

At the time we went to Press, Murray was negotiating with an English Third Division player to re-

place Giampaolo at Canberra. The player was thought to be Ian Fleming, formerly of Kilmarnock and Murray's old club, Aberdeen.

"Giampaolo didn't really want to leave Canberra, but Willie Wallace (APIA coach) wanted him and to strengthen the Canberra team, we needed money," Murray said.

"With Brennan and Valeri holding down the two forward spots, the only one who could bring in money was Giampaolo. I didn't want to lose him. I know he is capable of upsetting us when he plays against us."

Footscray's Joe Picioane could be on the move to Marconi.

The former Soccerro midfielder is keen to make the move and Marconi is keen to have him. At Press time, Marconi was awaiting an answer from Footscray president John Ivanovic.

Ivanovic was expected to wait until two recruits arrive from overseas, perhaps today (Wednesday). He would want to see what he's got before letting players go.

Meanwhile, Steve Kakantoni has been released on loan by South Melbourne and will play for Footscray against Preston Macedonia on Sunday.

Heidelberg United also is ex-

pecting reinforcements, to help lift the club off the bottom of the ladder. There's talk about two former Irish internationals arriving any day now.

Changes are rumored also for Sydney Olympic. Skilful Iranian midfielder Houssein Housseini apparently is unhappy and could seek a move.

Similarly, we may see Dave Harding leave APIA.

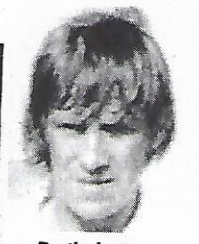
Bertie Lutton apparently has been voicing his dissatisfaction at South Melbourne. Lutton was one of South's stars last year and is angry at having to sit on the bench this season. — LAURIE SCHWAB



Sebastian Giampaolo



Joe Picioane



Bertie Lutton



Dave Harding

KIWIS NAME SQUAD

New Zealand team manager John Adsheed has trimmed his squad by three, naming 18 players to contest the World Cup qualifiers starting on April 25.

The unlucky trio are defenders Ken Billot (Mount Wellington) and Ross Durant (Wellington Diamond United) and striker Mark Armstrong (Manurewa).

Although their exclusion was not totally unexpected, the decision to retain veteran defender Sam Malcolmson was good news with surprise in some quarters. Malcolmson is the only Regional League player in the pool.

The squad, which includes six PSL players is:

GOALKEEPERS: Frank Van Hattum (Manurewa), Richard Wilson (Canberra Arrows).

Defenders: Glen Adam (Mount Wellington), Bobby Almond (Christchurch United), Dave Bright (Manurewa), Glen Dods (Adelaide Giants), Ricki Herbert (Mount Wellington), John Hill (Gisborne City), Sam Malcolmson (Otago Wolves).

MIDFIELDERS: Duncan Cole (Canberra Arrows), Keith McKay (Gisborne City), Steve Sumner (Captain, Newcastle KB United Raiders), Brian Turner (Wellington Wolves).

FORWARDS: Allan Boath (Christchurch United), Clive Campbell (Wellington Wolves), John Leish (Mount Wellington), Grant Turner (Gisborne City), Steve Wodden (Dunedin City).

Scottish born Boath's selection is subject to naturalisation formalities. His eligibility is expected to be confirmed in early April.

— PAUL MOON

Figures at the gate just don't add up



By ALF ZAHRA, George Cross President

I was fuming when I read recent comments from VSF president John Dimtis saying that State League clubs should get off their backsides and do something to glamorise the league.

You're not going to tell me how to run by club, Mr. Dimtis! In fact I think it's high time the VSF got off its backside and started to do something for the clubs!

What will build up Victorian soccer is a reduction in the number of teams. Let's build more strong sides instead of splitting up supporters between so many clubs.

The VSF should wake up to this and take it into account when registering new clubs. They might be good money-spinners for the VSF, which receives affiliation fees from new clubs, but the proliferation of clubs is killing the game.

I agree that clubs must do a better job of building up their images but the crux of the problem lies within the administration at federation level and poor attendances which keep most clubs on the bread line.

With so many clubs, fewer grounds are available for use and it's hard to achieve top status within a suburb with so many amateur clubs.

The VSF should do everything in its power to encourage clubs to amalgamate.

There should be strict affiliation guidelines with every member club having its affiliation with the VSF screened annually.

Let the amateur and social clubs go off and do their own thing. Let others striving for professionalism come under the umbrella of a top administration.

I think the federation should give serious thought to developing its own complex rather than accepting the present situation which sees a large ground like Olympic Park skimming much-needed dollars away from clubs.

The Olympic Park board of management has to operate in a businesslike manner and I understand its situation.

But for a club like George Cross it absolutely kills us to have to operate under the conditions imposed on us.

From our gate takings, the Olympic Park board of management gets 15% or \$350 dollars, whichever is the largest figure.

Let me cite an example. In October 1979 we played at Olympic Park against Slavia.

From the gate takings payments were made involving gatekeepers, 20% payroll tax, compensation insurance, cash handling insurance, police, supervision and printing costs.

These totalled \$500.68. The gate takings totalled \$532 out of which we had to pay \$350 to Olympic Park.

All in all we were up for \$82.68.

Alf Zahra is president of Victorian State League club George Cross. He came to Australia from his native Malta in 1955 and has seen the Cross win every major VSF trophy and championship. Zahra joined the Cross committee in 1975 and has been assistant treasurer, publicity officer and vice-president. He even recalls the year when he cleaned the players' boots! Here he hits out at the administration of soccer in Victoria and explains the financial realities of running a club with a successful history.

We had to add \$318.63 from our own pockets to the gate takings to meet these costs! And we hadn't even taken into account the coaching and playing wages and the masseur's payments!

The game against Slavia cost George Cross \$2,100.

And a home game at that! Just imagine if we had a winning team and were up for about \$1,600 in player and coaching payments for away games.

No player is going to play for peanuts. He won't burst his guts for nothing. When he signs a contract the onus is on the club as much as the player to fulfill the terms of the contract.

On September 8, 1979, we played against Sunshine and it cost us \$581. We still had to pay our players after meeting this cost.

A club is up for affiliation fees, Cup entry fees and player insurance on top of wages and other running costs. Imagine what financial burden is placed on clubs which aren't successful and can't draw good crowds.

It's beyond me how teams without good support can survive. I'm sure if such teams didn't have their own facilities where they sell drink and food they'd go broke.

A club like George Cross which doesn't have its own ground relies solely on its supporters. There's tremendous pressure on our club to offer our supporters a winning side year in, year out because we've a fine history to live up to.

You have to pay good wages to good players and each week you end up out of pocket. Without the hard work of our social club and donations from supporters we'd really struggle.

To rebuild a side costs a lot of money and it makes me want to cry when I see how badly gatekeeping is administered.

Clubs are losing plenty when the VSF isn't in charge of the gates. I'm not accusing specific clubs of raking off money at the gates but it happens alright.

Even with the wages the VSF would incur if it took over all gatekeeping activities, I think it'd find that it would make more money than it costs.

Ruud Geels, the former Dutch international striker, was playing atrocious soccer while I was visiting Ajax Amsterdam coach Tomislav Ivic in late 1976.

He had joined Ajax on a one million dollar transfer, and Ivic, not to mention the Ajax fans, were bitterly disappointed in Geels.

While discussing player dealings, Ivic pointed out to me that even though Geels was an embarrassment, he couldn't afford to drop him.

The reason was obvious — as soon as Ivic took him out of the team, Geels' value would drop by as much as half! Who wants to buy a striker for a million dollars if he's only good enough to sit on the bench at Ajax?

Ivic did however, want to sell Geels, and he wanted to sell him as quickly as possible.

So he left him in the team to retain the player's market value.

I was reminded of the Geels case as I pondered Canberra City's dilemma over Sebastian Giampaolo and Walter Valeri.

Unprecedented publicity was created at the time these two were reported to be seeking a move from Inter Monaro. Hysteria reached such proportions that Canberra eventually paid about \$40,000 for the pair.

Yet, by the evidence of team selection since then, neither can be said to have been successful.

Canberra bought Giampaolo and Valeri because they had established such a formidable goalscoring partnership with Monaro in the NSW State League. The Canberra bosses obviously felt this partnership could be translated into the Phillips League.

Yet Giampaolo and Valeri were rarely on the field at the same time. One or the other was on the bench and brought on only as a substitute.

That's a great way to risk \$40,000! When Canberra sold Giampaolo to APIA it was happy to get back barely its \$20,000 investment — no adjustment for inflation or for Giampaolo's PSL experience.

Canberra failed on two counts.

In the first place, Giampaolo and Valeri should have been allowed to play as twin strikers over a long period of time, regardless of their success rate. Surely a \$40,000 investment warranted such consideration.

This probably would have resulted in both men playing themselves into form while at the same time strengthening their on-field understanding.

At the same time they would have retained or increased their resale value.

That's how Ivic would have done it, and it shows how much our clubs have to learn.

Tony Henderson as national team striker? Let's not be ridiculous!

According to newspaper reports, Rudi Gutendorf apparently has been hinting to close friends that he's considering dropping Henderson out of defence or midfield, to forward line, should Ken Boden remain ineligible for World Cup duty.

Henderson is one of the most complete players we have, but every player is better in one position than he is in another.

The value of Henderson should be clearly known after two years in the national team. He is a centre back, perhaps... and only perhaps, a midfielder... but he is not a striker.

The alternative is John Kosmina.

Lesson of Ivic and Kosmina overkill

since he played for Jim Shouler's Soccerro in 1977.

This relentless and thoroughly superstitious publicity can create insecurity in the player himself. If he is built up to be a superstar, he will disappoint everyone, for no player is a superstar.

His qualities are no different now that he has joined Sydney City than they were when he was at West Adelaide.

And consider this: Sydney City beat West Adelaide 7-0 last year while Kosmina played on West Adelaide's side, but the Slickers managed only 1-0 with Kosmina, but all this forceful pushing isn't doing him any good. If he is to be in the national team, by all means, let's have him in there, but let's lay off him and allow

him to play, without the worry of having to prove himself to every man, woman and child in this country.

Will the people who championed summer soccer eat their words now?

First we had the case of Dragon Tomasic, the Marconi full back who suffered heat exhaustion after the game against South Melbourne in 40 degrees.

One of my own players suffered the same fate after Blacktown's recent match against Newcastle, Steve Polard, one of our defenders, was in a very bad way after the match, and we risk many more such cases if we go ahead with the summer lunacy.



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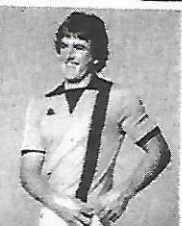
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Brisbane City	1	1	0	2	1	0	2	0	2	2	4:3
Marconi Datsun	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	3:2
Sydney City	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	1	2	3:3
Preston	1	0	1	3	2	1	0	1	3	3	6:5
Leichhardt	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	2	4:4
Brisbane Lions	0	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	2	3:4
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West Adelaide	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	3	3:4
Blacktown	0	1	1	2	3	0	1	1	1	1	3:6
Footscray	1	0	1	3	3	0	0	2	1	5	4:8
Adelaide City	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	1	1	3	1:5
Heidelberg	0	0	2	2	6	0	1	1	3	4	5:10

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In brackets — number of appearances in this team —

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McMILLAN (1) (H'berg)	ILIOSKI (1) (Footsc)	de GRAAF (2) (W'gong)			
OLLERTON (1) (Preston)	BROWN (2) (Preston)	KATHOLOS (1) (Olympic)			
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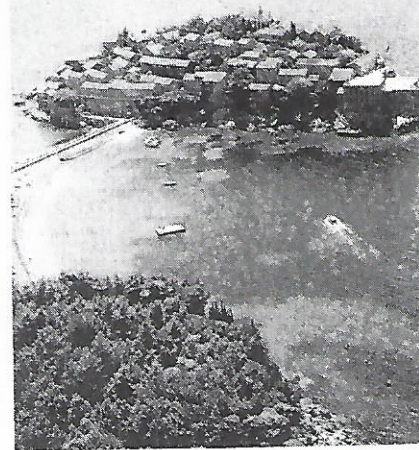
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PRESTON 3 (Ward, Ollerton, Brown) HEIDELBERG 2

(Paton 2) at Olympic Park. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Ollerton (P), 5. Brown (P), 4. Cullen (P), 3. A. McMillan

(H), 2. Lucchesi (P), 1. Faulkner (AC).

FOOTSCRAY 1 (Ilioski) SOUTH MELBOURNE 2 (Christopoulos, Evans) at Schindler Reserve. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Boland (F), 5. Buljevic (SM), 4. Ilioski (F), 3. Christopoulos (SM), 2. Evans (SM), 1. V. Bannan (SM).

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (Ferris) WOLLONGONG 1 (Adam pen.) at Richlands. Votes by Bruce Waddell:

6. Niven (BL), 5. McLean (BL), 4. de Graaf (W), 3. Ontong

(BL), 2. Campbell (W), 1. Hermiston (BL).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Jennings, Koussas, Laing) ADELAIDE CITY 1 (Ankudinoff own goal) at Barton Park. Votes by Tom Anderson:

6. Katholos (SO), Meier (SO), 4. Marshall (AC), 3. Lalit

(SO), 2. Jamieson (SO), 1. Malta (AC).

CANBERRA CITY 2 (Valen 2) SYDNEY CITY 0 at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windward:

6. Brennan (Can), 5. Valeri (Can), 4. Watson (SC), 3. Cant

(SC), 2. D. Cole (C), 1. R. Wilson (Can).

WEST ADELAIDE 0 NEWCASTLE KB 0 (Mason) at Hindmarsh. Votes by Meno Toutalidis:

6. BUCKLEY (N), 5. Crook (WA), 4. McClelland (N), 3.

Tymczyszyn (WA), 2. Drinkwater (N), 1. McKie (WA).

MARCONI 1 (Byrne) BRISBANE CITY 1 (McVeigh) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Ted Smithies:

6. Maher (M), 5. Palinkas (BC), 4. Byrne (M), 3. Henderson

(M), 2. Perry (BC), 1. Pimblett (BC).

BLACKTOWN 0 LEICHHARDT 1 (O'Connor) at Gable Stadium. Votes by Roger Shearack:

6. Woodhouse (L), 5. Selvaige (B), 4. O'Connor (L), 3. P.

Wilson (L), 2. Pullen (B), 1. Djordjevic (B).

Leaders:

15. Ollerton (P), Ilioski (F).

14. Campbell (Woll), Cullen (P).

13. de Graaf (Woll), Hermiston (BL).

12. T. Byrne (Can), Brown (P), Drinkwater (Newcl), Maher

(Marc), Selvaige (Black).

11. Kosmina (SC), Buljevic, Evans (SM).

10. Boyle (WA), Mitchell (AC), McClelland (Newcl), P.

Wilson (L).

9. Bertogna (Newcl), Boland (F), Tymczyszyn (WA), G.

Byrne, Henderson (SM), Djordjevic (Black).

8. Davidson (SM), Reaney (Newcl), P. Wilkinson, Perry

(BC), Pazzano (SC), Petrovski (P), Ontong (BL), Katholos

(SO), Crook (WA).

Leading scorers:

3. Christopoulos (SM), Paton (H'berg).

2. C. Campbell, McPreen, Dunleavy (Woll), Hughes, P. O'Connor (L), Valeri (Can), Buckley, McClelland (Newcl), Kosmina (SC), Evans (SM), Laing (SO), Brown (P).

These are not our best young players

As a taxpayer it always dismays and perturbs me to watch the way the politicians in Canberra throw around our hard-earned dollars.

One of the ventures that has been financed by "us taxpayers" is the new Institute of Sport recently opened in Canberra.

First of all, I would like to say that the concept is tremendous. It is something Australian sport has needed badly for a great number of years.

The way I have been informed the purpose of this set-up is that it is to develop and bring to a peak the most talented youngsters in Australia.

In the past, these youngsters have gone overseas to develop

and display their talents — and have been lost to Australia.

As we all know, soccer is one of the lucky sports to be included at the Institute.

If used correctly, this will help develop our brightest youngsters into stars and, indeed, future Soccerroos.

In theory this is marvellous. But at the moment, it's not working.

At least this is the impression I got after watching the Institute team in action against the Sydney Olympic youth side at Barton Park on Sunday.



TOM ANDERSON

I certainly hope I'm wrong here and that my first impressions are false.

From what I saw on Sunday, these are not the best young players in Australia.

I've seen many better young players. In saying this, I'm not negating the youngsters at the Institute. Good luck to them. They are there, I hope they make the best of it and prove me wrong by becoming Soccerroos.

But if this is to happen, then Institute coach Jim Shoulder will have to be a genius.

And after going through the terrible 1978 World Cup campaign with Shoulder, I can assure you he's far from being a genius.

Another thing that perturbs me, is the news that Shoulder is going to take this team on an extensive overseas tour at the end of the year.

This again is something that should be looked at very carefully.

We have heard that the ASF is going to have to look very closely at entering our national youth team in the 1983 World Youth Championships because of a shortage of cash.

Yet here is Shoulder preparing to spend a great deal of money taking his second-grade youth team on a World Tour.

Still, many strange things happen in Canberra and I suppose this is just another of them.

It's just so disappointing that the real star youth players are not part of this Canberra setup.

For this is supposed to be the main reason that the Institute was formed.

Like everything else in soccer, maybe it will bloom in 10 years time... or twenty years... or thirty years.

I have to say something about the proposed inclusion of Marconi's Gary Byrne into the World Cup Squad if Ken Boden and John Yzendorff fail to gain citizenship in time for the clash with New Zealand.

In a newspaper article in Sydney, coach Rudi Gutendorf

stated he asked Byrne to reconsider his decision to quit representative soccer.

Gutendorf said he has tried to talk Byrne into playing for Australia once again.

Byrne, in his turn, said he would consider it and give Gutendorf an answer later.

For me, Gary Byrne is a fine player and always has been.

But no national coach should have to plead with a player to play for his country.

The last person who should be selected to wear the green and gold of Australia is someone who is not prepared to sacrifice and "bleed" for his nation.

That's why I think Gutendorf is wrong in this instance.

SURVIVAL IS THE ART OF COACHING

It has always intrigued me how the status of a leader ebbs and flows from year to year, month to month, or even week to week.

Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser currently is assuming the mantle of statesmanship following his long term in office.

Yet it is only months ago that he was being charged with the decline in popularity of the Liberal Party.

Coaches are very much in a leadership role and their reputation can change dramatically in just 24 hours.

When the tidal wave hit Gerry Chaidi in the middle of last year at West Adelaide his status in the game immediately plummeted 200 per cent.

Almost a year later he still is out of the game and his three years of success at Sydney City subside in the memory as each month passes.

St George's Raul Blanco was spared a similar fate when out of the blue he landed the Marconi job and his name now continues to attract media interest and if he gets into a top four position with his star-studded team he will be granted complete acceptance once again.

Len McKendry has avoided the soccer isolation which has hit Chaidi by his involvement with the Victorian State team and, ironically with each successive loss by Heidelberg his slightly tarnished reputation acquires new gloss.

Despite the fact that McKendry lost the Heidelberg position over a contractual dispute, in the eyes of the public there is no smoke without fire and status diminishes as Jim Adam found when he had a similar contractual dispute with West Adelaide after winning the Phillips League in 1978.

The State team of NSW also overnight uplifted Rale Rasie's diminishing dominance in the game when it beat Dinamo Zagreb recently.



Mike Johnson

It did not matter that Dinamo Zagreb had just stepped off the plane with a fairly weak side to boot.

Rasie has been one of the great bastions of the Australian coaching scene through the 1970s.

However, even his rock solid status has been gradually chipped away in recent years following problems at Marconi and only moderate success in Adelaide which produced a situation where he has now accepted a part time position in coaching for the first time since he joined St. George from Melbourne at the start of the '70s.

One of the greatest of coaches, Hellenio Herrera, has had nothing but trial and trouble in the latter stage of his career, following on his great successes in earlier years in Spain and Italy.

Surviving is one of the great arts of politics and I like the job of coaching as akin to politics, though far more volatile.

Alan Vest is a name very much in prominence at the moment. Just a year ago there were many people who wanted him out of Newcastle.

Such are the whims and fancies of public favour with the media forever fanning the flames of discontent or blowing the trumpets heralding success.

As in so many things in our bustling world today, there is little time for dispassionate thought on the reasons for success or failure, no shades of grey only black and white.

So either the trumpets blare or the knives cut deep.

Some, like Manfred Schaefer and Ray Richards are overpromoted too early and are so vulnerable, others like Attie Abonyi work hard to prepare themselves so they are ready for the big test when it comes.

Either way it is a great challenge to ones personal development to survive and succeed in coaching.

Test for J.U.S.T., Marconi

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Once upon a time Footscray J.U.S.T. used to beat Preston.

That was a long, long time ago in a far distant competition called the State League.

To suggest that the pendulum has swung in Preston's favor is understating the situation.

These sides have met three times in the past six months with Preston winning each time and scoring eight goals to J.U.S.T.'s two.

Not a good record if you play for Footscray and go to Connor Reserve this Sunday to face Preston.

It becomes repetitive when you talk about Footscray's slim chance of stopping Preston dynamo Rob Cullen, and now that Doug Brown has settled into the Preston front line the match must take on nightmarish proportions for Footscray's defenders.

There's little that surprises about Preston's game.

Non-stop running in support of each other, often playing the

long ball to Cullen or Brown so that they can get into one-on-one situations with opposition defenders and a fierce will to win are the main features of Preston's play.

There's nothing fancy about that style of soccer but Preston has steamrolled Footscray in two of their past three meetings so Preston coach Brian Edgely has little reason to change his plans.

The result of this Sunday's clash shouldn't change the recent pattern of the clashes between these sides.

The intriguing feature of Sunday's Middle Park clash between South Melbourne and Brisbane Lions will be the comparisons drawn between two of the more complete professionals playing in Australian soccer — Souths' star Jim Shirra and Lions' 1980 PSL Player of the Year Jim Hermiston.

Hermiston faces the harder task as Souths' striker Alan Evans is in great form.

Evans is relishing the improved service he gets from his midfielders Shirra, John Stevenson and Billy Rogers. And evergreen Branko Bulje-

vic is a perfect foil for Evans. Between them they should destroy the hopes of many defences this year. Indeed at this early stage of the season they are shaping as the best striking duo in the PSL.

Souths shouldn't slip up here in their match toward the 1981 PSL title.

Another top game in this round is the local Sydney derby between bitter rivals Sydney City and Marconi at Sydney Athletic Field this Sunday.

Marconi's flying winger Peter Sharne exploded into action late in this year's Charity Shield match between these sides, with Marconi winning 3-1 after extra time.

But Sydney City should gain revenge on Sunday with the most in-form striker in the PSL John Kosmina, leading the Slickers' assault on Marconi keeper Allan Maher.

Neither side has hit its straps but the mounting pressure on Marconi Soccerroos Eddie Krncevic, Tony Hender-

son and Ivo Prskalo may take its toll in such an important clash.

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Olympic poor but better than Midgets

Sydney Olympic
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Adelaide City 1

Scorers: Olympic (Jennings 69th, Koussas 74th, Laing 89th); Adelaide City (Ankudinoff o.g. 27th).

Ground: Barton Stadium.
Crowd: 4,254.
Cautions: Ankudinoff 58th.
Referee: Peter Rampley 7.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 8, Ankudinoff 6, Wilson 7, Rowden 6, Cross 6, Katholos 9, Zaras 5 (sub Houssani 35th, 7), Cork 6 (sub Jamieson half time 8), Laing 8, Koussas 6, Jennings 7.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 8, Russell 8, B. Nyskohus 6, Jones 7, Miller 6 (sub Signore 76th), Marocchi 7, Mehta 7, J. Nyskohus 6, Northcote 6, Mitchell 6, Villani 6.

Ace British coach Tommy Docherty chalked up his first win in the PSL, but his head-aches at Olympic are far from over.

In the end Olympic deserved its 3-1 win and its performance in the last 30 minutes was good value for money.

But Docherty must not let this result — and he probably won't — cloud over the shortcomings of his team.

Olympic's defensive play was shocking and basic fundamentals of defensive "mists" were non-existent.

Had it not been for a terrible team like Adelaide City it would have been severely punished.

The brilliant goalkeeping of Gary Meier kept out three magnificent efforts that had "goals" written all over them in the second half.

Olympic defenders refused to mark tightly in their own penalty area and stood back and allowed the South Australians to turn with the ball.

It was lucky for them that Adelaide City played with only two strikers — both of whom had no idea of how to finish.

Up until this game Adelaide City had not scored a goal in the competition and its solo effort here in thanks to Olympic defender Greg Ankudinoff who put through his own goal while under pressure.

Under the new PSL marketing set-up, Adelaide City now is to be known as the Giants.

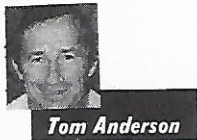
This name is wrong — it should be known as the midgets. Any similarity between this present team and the fine Adelaide teams of the past is purely coincidental.

Over the past few weeks there has been a great deal of campaigning to get City's mid-fielder Brian Northcote into the Socceroo squad.

On this performance there are a dozen players better suited for a Socceroo shirt.

Northcote has neither the skill, the class nor the attitude to be included in the Australian squad at the present time.

On the positive side, "the Doc" certainly has brushed up Olympic's attacking flair and



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coming forward it looked an exciting combination.

Especially when Alex Jamieson was brought on after the interval.

Jamieson who only arrived back in Australia from Scotland last Thursday, had a fine debut and worked well with Peter Katholos.

Former youth international Katholos had a big game and was the best player on show.

This youngster has talent unlimited and is quickly losing his bad habits under Docherty.

Olympic's goals were scored by, Graham Jennings, Mark Koussas and Derek Laing in the last 30 minutes of the match.

They were all well taken affairs which sent the Olympic supporters home in a carnival mood.

However I must repeat that unless "the Doc" sorts out his defensive weaknesses quickly, Olympic could be in for a tough season.



MOUTSOPOULOS MAKES FINE DEBUT

Valeri, Brennan sink Slickers

Canberra 2
Sydney City 0

Goals: Valeri 2

CANBERRA CITY: Wilson 8, M. O'Shea 8, Cole 8, Moutsopoulos 8, J. O'Shea 7, Stark 8, R. O'Shea 7, Massa 7 (Farrell, 60th, 7), Byrne 8, Brennan 9 (Giampolo, 77th), Valeri 8.

SYDNEY SLICKERS: Parsons 7, Bruce 7, Cant 8, O'Connor 7, Souness 7, Watson 8, Silva 7 (Wallace 37th, 7), Barnes 7, Muniz 7 (Patikas, 60th, 7), Boden 7, Kosmina 8.

Referee: K. Allen, Canberra.

Weather: Fine.

Ground: Bruce Stadium.

Unbeaten, the only PSL side not to concede a goal and weekend victor against last year's top team — Sydney Slickers. No wonder Canberra Arrows fans are in a state of euphoria.

And Saturday's 2-0 victory over the Slickers was no fluke. The premiers were outplayed and outgunned by clearly the better side on the day.

Their own coach — Eddie



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Thomson — summed up his side's performance in one word — "awful." By way of contrast, of course, his counterpart at Canberra, George Murray, was ecstatic.

This is just how I want the team to play — consistently and with real enthusiasm and grit.

The Arrows showed both. Yet in the opening minutes of each half it wasn't one-sided.

The Slickers, working from a 4-4-2 system of Bruce, Cant, O'Connor and Souness in the backline, Watson, Silva, Barnes and Boden and Kosmina as twin strikers, looked confident and talented.

In fact Joe Watson, with a great foraging run down the right flank in only the seventh minute, squeezed in a great shot from an acute angle and Canberra's goalkeeper, Richard Wilson, was hard-pressed to save it.

But save it he did and this proved to be the Slickers' only serious goalkeeping attempt for the half.

The Arrows took control after hitting the front through a Walter Valeri goal in the 10th minute.

Valeri, having his best game of the season, also got the match-winner, for it came at a vital stage of the second stanza.

Until it came, in the 57th minute, Sydney Slickers looked in with a chance of pulling back the deficit as first defender Ian Bruce forced Wilson into a fingertip save with a 30-metre pile-driver and then John Kosmina went close with a half scissors kick from close-range.

Once Valeri thumped home the second, however, it was one-way traffic, with the final result merely academic.

Thomson had good reason to be concerned at his team's performance.

With the exception of Joe Watson — their man of the match — Jim Cant and possibly Ian Bruce, the remainder had at best percentage games.

There was little total effort. Canberra's defence stifled Kenny Boden and contained John Kosmina well while Silva, before his injury and replacement by Willie Murray, had failed to make the penetration on the left flank that Wilson showed on the right.

For Canberra every player let down, with the only real tried-hard being the mediocre form of newcomer John Massa, who still appears to be struggling to get match fit.

It was a total team effort. But there had to be special mention of the form of Brennan and Valeri up front. Never before have they shown such penetration and understanding.

It is this form that kept Baz Giampolo on the bench this season.

And what about Jim Moutsopoulos? A real unknown, 17-year-old Moutsopoulos, the Australian-born son of Greek migrants, is a product of Canberra's Reserves and Colts teams.

He showed great potential and really made a fantastic success of his debut in the Philips League.

Big and strong, Moutsopoulos played for the whole 90 minutes and looks as though he will get better with every game.

It was a great fighting victory and one that the Arrows truly deserved.

There could be no better morale-booster for this Sunday's home game against Adelaide Hawks.

Maybe then the crowds of the 1981 season will begin to



You didn't beat me that time, Boland! Alun Evans of South Melbourne is jubilant after scoring the winner against Footscray.

Niven in the mood to dazzle Rudi

Brisbane Lions 1
Wollongong 1

Goals: Ferris (BL), Adam pen. (W)

Ground — Richlands.

Weather — Fine.

Crowd: about 2000.

Referee — J. Wood 6.

BRISBANE LIONS — Lownds 7, Ontong 8, Harrison 7, Bennett 7, Niven 8, Hogg 7, Lindsay 7, McLean 8, Konstantinou 6, Bryce 45th, 6), Millman 6, Ferris 6 (McNeughton 79th).

WOLLONGONG — Preston 7, Fleming 6, Dunleavy 7, De Graaf 6, Ainsworth 6, Adam 6, Lathan 7, Trandinnick 7, McGreen 6, Campbell 8, Turner 6 (Morton 83rd).

Brisbane Lions left-back Alan Niven is in the right frame of mind for his trial with the Socceroos in Sydney tonight (Wednesday) following another impressive performance in this match.

Assistant national coach Les Scheinflug said Rudi Gutendorf had shown interest in Niven for some time, particularly since the injury to Heidelberg soccerero Jim Tansey.

It was announced last week that Niven would be flown to Sydney for the trial and he responded against the Wolves by emerging as Lions' player of the match.

Niven was barely beaten in the air and forayed regularly down the left flank as Lions pounded away at the PSL newcomers in the first half, and for most of the second half.

Lions in the long run became the first team to take a point off the Wolves, but it could so easily have been a two-pointer, had it again not been for the home team's benevolence.

The Wolves' defence was under siege for most of the second half but through the grim defence of Bill de Graaf and Chris Dunleavy, and Lions' continuing inadequacies in front of goal, they were left off the hook.

Lions overcame the setback of a 27th minute penalty, awarded after Niven was committed to his tackle on solid



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Young winger Steve Konstantinou really should have blasted Lions to the lead as early as the 2nd minute and that again unfortunately set the pattern for the Lions attack.

But they were able to dominate through the greatly improved effort of Scottish mid-fielder Jim McLean, who had been fined \$25 during the week by coach Matt Carson for lack of application.

And there was a little added sparkle in the Lions front line by the other import, left winger Bobby Ferris, whose 44th minute equaliser was the result of a great left-wing play by he, Ron Millman and McLean.

The worrying factor for Wolves coach Ken Morton, may well be the tremendous amount of possession given away by his men, which naturally helped Lions to produce their most encouraging display in four encounters.

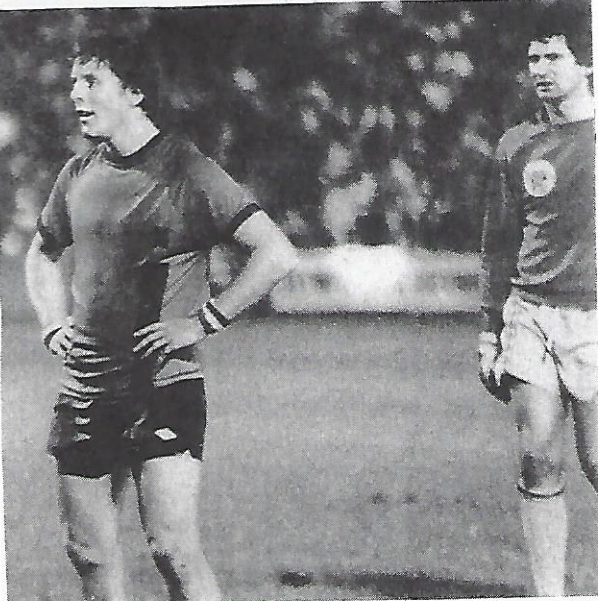
They'll tackle world record

An attempt to break the world mile record will be made at half time of Sydney City's match against Marconi at the Sydney Athletic Field on Sunday.

The world record of 3:49 is held by Sebastian Coe of England.

Star runners in the field on Sunday are Steve Foley of Victoria and Mike Hillard of Queensland.

Hillard beat Foley in setting the best mile time by an Australian last weekend. His time of 3:56.6 was only marginally slower than the 3:56.3



Preston's Scottish newcomer Doug Brown (left) with Heidelberg's old stager Jack Reilly who made his PSL comeback at 36 — the oldest goalkeeper in the league.

Maher saves Marconi

Marconi 1
Brisbane City 1

Ground: Marconi Stadium

Referee: T. Boskovic

Scorers: Marconi: Gary Byrne 68th; Bris. City: John McVeigh 26th.

Cautions: Joe Palinkas 40th; Bobby Wilkinson 42nd.

MARCONI: Maher 8 — Mariani 5, Prskalo 5, Muir 5, Tomasich 6 — Raskopoulos 6 (Colusso 65th), Henderson 7, Byrne 7 — Jankevics 7, Krnoevic 7, Sherrin 7.

BRISBANE CITY: Coe 7 — Dunne 6, Ratcliffe 7, Perry 7, Billy Wilkinson 6 — Gaffney 7, Pimblett 7, Hamilton 6 — Pelinkas 2, Wilkinson 6, McVeigh 7, Lowe 81st.

For the greater part of this match it looked as if Brisbane City was going to take both points back to Queensland. In fact, if City's determination was a measure of success none at the park would disagree that it deserved both points.

Marconi on the other hand was as it has been since the season commenced — flat and lacking interest.

This was particularly true of the back line, which on numerous occasions was more con-



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midfield of Henderson, Byrne and Co. into action.

This trend was evident right from the start, where for the first 15 minutes Marconi had a distinct territorial edge over City but did not create one positive chance.

In this period City characteristically stuck to jugs and by about the 20th minute mark had brought itself right into the match.

In the 25th minute Marconi was terrorised by a blinder of a shot from Larry Gaffney which only was saved by a brilliant effort from Alan Maher.

Marconi must have been stunned by this for only a minute later it presented City with the softest of goals.

This one must surely be an

Overseas scores

HOLLAND
Sparta Rotterdam 2 FC Utrecht 3, Go Ahead Eagles Dordrecht 2 Willem II Tilburg 2, Roda Kerkrade 2 Feyenoord Rotterdam 2, Wageningen 0 Twente Enschede 1, NEC Nijmegen 1, N.V. Middelburg 0, PSV Eindhoven 3 Ajax Amsterdam 1, Excelsior Rotterdam 2, NEC Nijmegen 0, Groningen 0, PEC Zwolle 2, The Hague 0 FC Alkmaar 4.

ITALY
Avellino 2, Perugia 1, Catanzaro 0 Brescia 0, Inter 1 Fiorentina 2, Juventus 3, AC Milan 0, Lazio 0 Bologna 2, Roma 1 Napoli 1, Udinese 2, Cosenza 0.

BELGIUM
RWD Molenbeek 2 FC Brugge 2, Kortrijk 4, Lokomotiv 2, Standard 2, VV Breda 1, FC Lige 4, Anderlecht 2, Standard 2, VV Breda 1, FC Lige 4, Anderlecht 2, Standard 2, VV Breda 1, FC Lige 4.

WEST GERMANY
Bayer Leverkusen 3 Bayern Munich 0, SV Hildesheim 2 Borussia Mönchengladbach 1, 1860 Munich 2, Eintracht Frankfurt 2, VfL Bochum 1, FC Cologne 1, HSV Hamburg 1, FC Kaiserslautern 1, Karlsruher SC 4 FC Nürnberg 1, Arminia Bielefeld 1, Borussia Dortmund 0, Schalke 04 1, Fortuna Düsseldorf 4, VfL Stuttgart 3, Bayer Uerdingen 2.

EAST GERMANY
Dynamo Dresden 2, Rot-Weiss Erfurt 2, Wismut Aue 0, Karl-Marx Stadt 1, Motorzoo 3, Hansa Rostock 1, Vorwärts Frankfurt 4, Chemie Babelsberg 0, Lok Leipzig 0, Dynamo Berlin 1, Seehausen Zwickau 5, Stahl Riesa 1, Halle Chemie 0, Carl Zeiss Jena 1.

AUSTRIA
SC Eisenstadt 1, Wiener Sportklub 0, Admira Wacker, Sturm Graz postponed, DWK 1, Rapid 3, Austria Wien 2, Austria Salzburg 1, Voest Linz 1, Leuk 1.

PORTUGAL
Porto 1 Braga 0, Académico de Coimbra 0, Benfica 2, Sporting 1, Setúbal 0, Marítimo do Funchal 0, Boavista 2, Guimarães 0, Espinho 0, Belenenses 2, Paços de Ferreira 1, Académico de Viseu 1, Varzim 0, Amora 2, Penafiel 0.

SWITZERLAND
Biellesheim 0, Lucerne 0, Châmpagnat Geneva 2, Basel 2, Lausanne 4, Neuchâtel Xamax 1, Nordstern Basel 1, Servette Geneva 1, St. Gallen 2, Grasshoppers Zurich 2, Young Boys Bern 2, Sion 0, Yverdon 0, Chaux-de-Fonds 1.

It's Ollerton of old, Selemedis disgusted

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**Heidelberg 2
Preston 3**

Goals: Preston: Ward 3rd, Ollerton 8th, Brown 77th; Heidelberg: Paton 71st & 77th
Ground: Olympic Park, Sunday night.
Crowd: About 8000
Referee: Dennis Voutsinas 7
Cautions: A. McMillan (H) Sent off: Rainey (P) 87th
PRESTON: Kastner 6 — Rainey 7 (sent off 82nd), Petrovski 8, Higham 7, Beech 8, Faulkner 8, Brown 9, Lucchesi 8 — Ollerton 9, Cullen 9, Ward 7 (G. McMillan 76th).

HEIDELBERG: Reilly 6 — A. McMillan 9, Zyzendorn 8, P. Bannan 6, Tansley 6 (in), sub. Provan 6, half time — Selemedis 5 (Rooney 69th), Campbell 5, Taylor 5 — Bozika 6, Paton 9, Cole 5.

Peter Ollerton is playing his best soccer since his days at AFLA in 1973-74. Not for South Melbourne, not for Marconi, not for Footscray did he play with such determination and enthusiasm.

Rob Cullen, the gutsy little speedster who said last year he didn't think he was good enough for the State team, is in current form better than Peter Scharne, Phil O'Connor, John Nyskohus, and other similar front runners.

Doug Brown's skill, speed, and hard work make him one of the top recruits of 1981. Claude Lucchesi and Jeff Faulkner are really finding in midfield, etc., etc., etc.

In short, Preston Makedonia will be a powerful force in the PSL this year — especially if it manages to get the former Everton player it hopes to bring out from England.

Makedonia beat Heidelberg much more easily than the score suggests, and it did so despite the absence of captain George McMillan who came on only as a late substitute after having missed games through injury.

Makedonia showed against Heidelberg it has the speed and power to steamroll any team in the PSL, but it needs a little more poise in defense. During Heidelberg's best period, after half time, the Makedonia backs were kicking the ball wildly, only to have it come straight back again.

Heidelberg clearly is in trouble. Arthur McMillan, Jamie Paton and John Zyzendorn practically carried the rest of the team. The excuse that Heidelberg always has a slow start to the season is wearing thin.

A crowd of about 8000 people rolled up at Olympic Park despite the Moomba traffic, for this, the first Sunday night match in the PSL.

Preston is in its first PSL season, having been promoted after winning the 1980 Victorian State League championship.

An uncharacteristically cautious approach resulted in Preston losing its first two matches, against Canberra and Marconi but in the two since then it has scored six goals to three, which illustrates quite clearly that attack is Preston's game.

The crowd roared its approval as Gary Ward shot Preston into the lead after only five minutes.

Jamie Paton put the ball into the net for Heidelberg moments later with a neat back-heeler but no score was allowed as the linesman had flagged offside.

Preston's best goal was its second, in the eighth minute.

Rob Cullen broke away, beat John Zyzendorn, and gave the ball to Doug Brown. Brown slipped it wide to Claude Lucchesi whose cross was headed in by Peter Ollerton at the far post.

Heidelberg lost Jim Tansey at half time. A recurrence of a knee injury forced Tansey to retire and Bob Provan took his place.

With Arthur McMillan dominating the right flank, Heidelberg staged a fighting revival but even during this period Preston was extremely dangerous in breakaways.

In fact Preston would have gone further ahead had Zyzendorn not cleared a shot by Ollerton off the goal line with goalkeeper Jack Reilly still on the ground after having stopped Geoff Faulkner.

Jimmy Rooney finally came on as a substitute for Theo Selemedis in the 69th minute.

Rooney had been rested by coach Manny Poulakakis for the Cup game against South Melbourne tonight (Wednesday).

Soccero Selemedis expressed his disgust at being replaced by throwing his back-suit top onto the running track in front of the Heidelberg bench.

Paton welcomed Rooney by scoring with a blistering shot from 20 metres in the 71st minute after Pat Bannan had brought the ball forward.

At the other end McMillan cleared a shot by Ollerton off the goal line, the ball went wide to Faulkner and his cross was headed home by Brown for Preston's third goal.

Again it was McMillan who dropped his team from the depths of despair and gave it new hope.

He charged down the left flank and his pass found Paton who turned quickly and slipped the ball low past goalkeeper Lou Kastner in the 79th minute.

Three minutes from the end Preston full-back Mike Rainey handled the ball, argued with the referee and was sent off the field.



Laurie Schwab

YELLAND ANGERS FOOTSCRAY Brilliant Boland blunts Hellas bite

MATCH RATING:

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**Footscray 1
Sth Melbourne 2**

Scorers, Footscray: Ilioski 11th; Sth Melb. Christopoulos 20th, Evans 68th.
Ground: Schintler Reserve.
Crowd: 5890.
Cautions: Shirra (SM), Hazabent (F), Boland (F), Evans (SM).
Referee: David Yelland 4.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 9 — Ilioski 8 — Petrov 6, Kyriakoulas 6, Kondarios 6, Hazabent 6 — Picioane 6, Curovic 5, Jovanovic 6 (Balic 78th) — Simic 5 (Vasic 78th), Coxzelle 6.

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumots 6 — V. Bannan 7, Blair 6, Xanthopoulos 6, Davidson 7 — Stevenson 6, Shirra 6, Christopoulos 7 — Cummings 6, Evans 7, Buljevic 8.

Two penalties — one of them taken twice — acrobatic goalkeeping by Dennis Boland and that old Branko Buljevic magic, were the saving graces of this match which had promised so much but delivered so little.

Many more teams will find it difficult to win against Footscray — provided the Footscray players hold an acceptable level of enthusiasm as they will score only rarely until reinforcements arrive.

One such reinforcement is speedy Steve Kakantonis, whom Hellas released on loan after this game. He will make his Footscray debut against Preston Makedonia at Connor Reserve on Sunday.

It was Buljevic, the man who played for Footscray until 1977, who was at the heart of most of the Hellas attacks. He came so close to scoring, but twice was felled by Boland who touched a shot onto the

crossbar and saved again at point-blank range just before the end.

Footscray's players and officials complained bitterly about the two penalties that referee Dave Yelland awarded against Kyri Kyriakoulas.

The first, over a foul on George Christopoulos, came after Ilioski had sent a free kick through the Hellas defensive wall to put Footscray into the lead after 11 minutes.

From the spot kick Christopoulos slotted the ball coolly past Boland but Yelland ordered the kick to be retaken and when Jim Shirra protested, Yelland booked him.

It was not clear why the kick should have been taken twice. The only explanation is that either Yelland had not given the all clear or a Hellas player had encroached into the area.

Boland blocked Christopoulos's second penalty but Christopoulos followed up and put it in anyway to tie the score after 20 minutes.

The deadlock was broken in the 68th minute. Christopoulos slipped the ball wide to the right for Duncan Cummings, who was in the team in place of injured Billy Rogers. Cummings sent the ball low and square across goal and Alan Evans tapped it home.

Two minutes later Kyriakoulas and Evans went up for a header in the area and Yelland awarded Hellas a penalty. Because Christopoulos almost had failed the previous time, the responsibility for taking the kick was given this time to Shirra.

He chose to stroke it low to his left, but Boland read it well and got down to save.

Footscray's best scoring chance of the second half was in a breakaway attack. Jovanovic played a fine through ball to Simic who could have run right into the penalty area, but he shot too early and too high.



South Melbourne's Jim Shirra (left) takes his unsuccessful penalty. Also pictured, from left: Chris Petrov, Joe Picioane, Jim Kondarios, Branko Buljevic. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

A CRUEL BLOW

**West Adelaide 0
Newcastle 1**

Scorer: Mason 70th
Crowd: 3,800
Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium
Weather: Fine
Cautions: Curran (Newcastle)

Referee: Bobby Kerr
WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 8 — Halg 7, Tymczyszyn 8, Topaz 8, Bozanic 7 — McGauchey 7, Boyle 7 (Honeyman), McKie 6 — Norris 7, McGregor 6, Manocas 7 (Pillans).

NEWCASTLE: Dando 6 — Rooney 8, Bertogno 8, Drinkwater 8, Curran 8 — Senkalski 7, Buckley 8, Mountford 7 — Mason 7, Namaz (Burrows), McClelland 8.

West Adelaide's players must still be kicking themselves for allowing this match to slip from their grasp.

Apart from a second half defensive lapse which resulted in the only goal of the match, West Adelaide rarely looked as if it would surrender this match.

Its defence was water tight and looked as if it could play for a week without conceding a goal.

Newcastle's defence also played that way and the match had all the trimmings of a goalless draw.

But just a split second of defensive hesitation allowed Craig Mason to fire a ground shot past Martyn Crook, who along with most of his colleagues appeared distracted by David Pillans' entry into the match in place of Namaz.

It was a cruel blow to the Hawks who had fought hard and so easily could have set themselves for a good win as early as the first minute.

From the kick-off, the Hawks stormed into attack and immediately earned a corner kick.

Neil McGauchey, positioning himself at the edge of the penalty area, pounced on a volley and struck a furious shot against the bar, with Phil Dando beaten.

The near-miss, fired up Peter Boyle who faded out of the match late in the first half. Boyle went into the match with a severe flu and despite his willingness to play he couldn't give his usual performance.

Although the Hawks could argue that the only difference between the two sides was that defensive lapse, Newcastle did perform particularly well.

They continually produced penetrating passes and wriggled into good scoring positions more consistently than the Hawks.

They were also on target with their shooting although Martyn Crook frustrated them by his good positioning and firm handling.

Crook, playing his 100th PSL match, clearly showed that if he is not Australia's best goalkeeper then he is equally as good as Rudi Gutendorf's current duo Allan Maher and Grey Woodhouse.

While coach Billy Birch should be reasonably pleased with the defence, he must be concerned with his attack.

It took the inclusion of Pillans to give the attack extra bite.

Newcastle has no such problem. Ian Buckley oozed with class and aggression while Malcolm McClelland has the skill and confidence to take on the best PSL defences on his performance against the Hawks.



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Leichhardt weathers Demons' late storm

**Blacktown 0
Leichhardt 1**

Scorers: O'Connor.
Ground: Gabble Stadium.
Crowd: 2,543.
Cautions: Leichhardt — Pullen 67th.

Referee: K. Small 8.
LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 9 — Skellern 8, Pullen 8, Wilson 8, McCusker 7 — Coyne 5, Kafka 6, Hughes 5 (Gray 44' — 6) — Leyden 6, Soper 7, O'Connor 8.

BLACKTOWN: James 7 — Woodley 7, Milosevic 8, Pointer 8, Pollard 7 — Selva 8, Hormazabal 7, O'Donnell 6 — Kjordjevic 7, Milosevic 6 (Pearson 66'), Culina 7.

Blacktown Demons suffered its second defeat of the season at the hands of Leichhardt Strikers, but not before a valiant comeback which almost netted it a point in the second period of play.

For long periods in the second half, Leichhardt was pinned inside its penalty area, fighting with rare tenacity to keep its slender lead. Rod Skellern, Peter Wilson and Mark Pullen were Leichhardt's heroes in defence, with



Roger Sherack

MATCH RATING:

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Greg Woodhouse having one of his finest games in goal.

In the 11th minute, Woodhouse appeared beaten by the shot from Dino Milosevic, but managed to stick his foot wide and deflect the ball away. It was that bit of save which kept Leichhardt in the lead.

Pullen kept a tight rein on Branko Culina, but in the process conceded far too many fouls and in the end was booked by the referee.

Leichhardt's win came in the 15th minute after a long probing kick by Wilson.

The ball was deflected into Blacktown's penalty area and Phil O'Connor was quickly on

the spot to lob the ball over the advancing Bruce James into the net.

Jovan Djordjevic made a valiant attempt to clear the ball but collided with the goal post. He was injured in the process and the game was stopped for three minutes while he received treatment. He was taken off the pitch, but came back minutes later and was moved into the forward line.

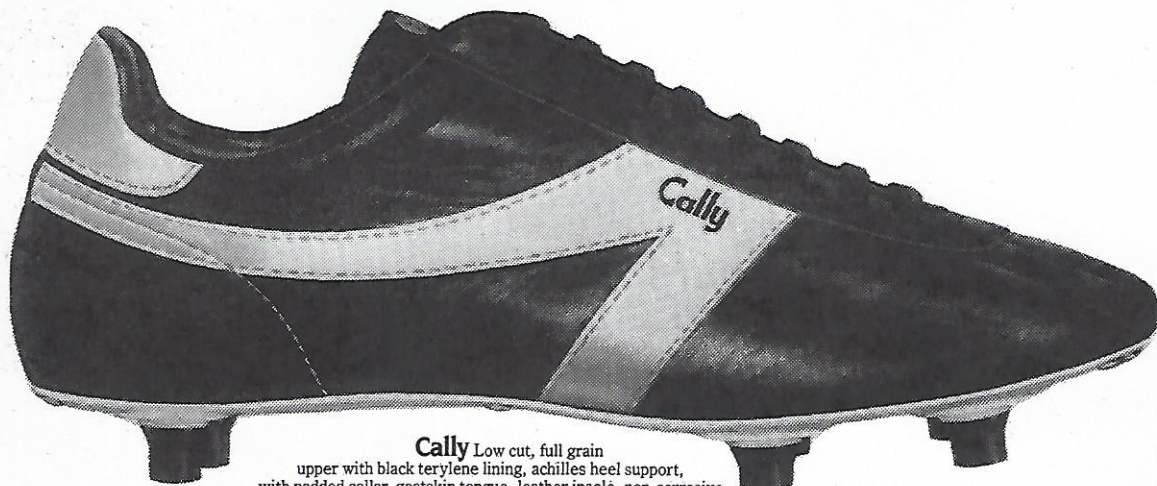
Blacktown came back looking for an equaliser and for long periods besieged Leichhardt's goal with little success.

Woodhouse made a brilliant save from Hormazabal in the 24th minute, then made numerous clearances with Blacktown still in pursuit of the equaliser.

Six successive corners in four minutes towards the end of the first half were attacking both sides of Woodhouse's goal, but Wilson and Pullen made it look easy, clearing against their smaller opponents with ease.

Quick counter attacks by the Leichhardt side almost brought success in the 32nd then 45th minutes.

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	Home					Away					Total					G	%
	P	W	D	L	G	P	W	D	L	G	P	W	D	L	G		
Brazil	8	5	1	1	15-4	1	0	0	1	2-1	6	1	1	1	17-5	81	
Argentina	9	4	2	0	13-4	2	0	1	1	7-4	6	2	1	1	21-8	78	
Venezuela	2	1	0	0	1-0	0	1	0	1	2-2	1	1	0	0	3-2	75	
Chile	3	1	0	0	2-1	0	2	0	0	2-2	1	2	0	0	4-3	67	
Uruguay	14	4	2	0	17-0	1	2	5	5	7-10	5	4	5	5	24-10	50	
Paru	2	0	1	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	0-0	0	2	0	0	1-1	50	
Paraguay	5	1	0	1	3-3	1	1	1	1	4-8	2	1	2	2	7-11	50	
Bolivia	8	1	2	3	8-10	0	0	2	2	1-7	1	2	5	5	9-17	25	
Colombia	1	0	0	1	1-4	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1-4	0	

(Ecuador played no matches during the year)

From JIM COOK
our European
correspondent



IVIC GOES TO AJAX

TOMISLAV IVIC, who has made Anderlecht runaway favourites to land the Belgian league title, is to leave at the season's end — after just one year — to take over Ajax Amsterdam. Anderlecht are in competition with Hamburg, of West Germany, to replace the Yugoslav with Ernst Happel, Austrian boss of Standard Liege.

After protracted negotiations between the president of the Football Federation, Dr. Hermann Neuburger and representatives of the national team, Dietz, Rummenigge and Kaltz, the bonuses for World Cup success have been agreed. For winning the world title every member of the 22-man squad will receive \$40,000.

The bonus for qualifying was also fixed. Should the side reach the final tournament, then every player taking part will collect \$2,000 per match. This means that a player engaged in every qualifying tie stands to earn \$16,000.

The end of year poll conducted by the West German sports paper, 'Kicker-Sportmagazin', rates five Bundesliga players as 'world class': goalie Schumacher, stopper Briegel, midfielder, Breitner and Rummenigge, plus the Austrian Pezzy (Eintracht Frankfurt).

In the voting for the Bundesliga's best foreigner, behind Pezzy there were the Swede Hellstrom, the Austrians Jara and Hattenberger, the Korean Cha Bum Keun and the Swiss Botteron, followed by a group of six players which included Tony Woodcock.

Nottingham Forest was fined \$15,000 for displaying advertising material on its kit during the Super Cup match against Valencia last December.

Tony Woodcock, the Nottingham Forest and England striker who cost F.C. Cologne \$1,300,000 over 15 months ago is likely to sign an extended contract with the West German club despite reports that half a dozen Spanish teams, A.C. Milan, Arsenal, Everton and Coventry City have asked his agent about his future.

Iain Hesford, the Blackpool goalkeeper who made his England under-21 debut against the Republic of Ireland, is following his father who was in goal for Burslem in the 1938 F.A. Cup Final against Preston. And Iain's brother also got capped in the recent rugby international between England and Scotland.

Steve Daley, who cost Manchester City \$2,500,000 from Wolves, joined Seattle Sounders for \$800,000 while Gerry Francis, the former England captain, moved from Crystal Palace to Queen Park Rangers for \$300,000. Francis cost Palace \$800,000 in 1979 from Q.P.R.

Drazen Muzinic, Norwich City's Yugoslav international, has said he is prepared to return home to do his military service after recently being told he could face 10 years in jail.

Bruce Rioch, the former Scotland captain who has been playing out the winter months in U.K. with Fourth Division Torquay United, is returning to Seattle Sounders on a new three year contract. But another Scot Tommy Hutchinson of Manchester City has turned down a \$800,000 summer pay-off to rejoin Seattle Sounders. Hutchinson says he needs a rest.

Dusseldorf's fight to avoid relegation is being closely watched by Juventus, Barcelona and Arsenal. For the outcome will determine if striker Kalus Alof remains with the club. If Dusseldorf goes down Alof, despite having a contract until the end of next season, is likely to demand a move. Now 24 he will cost about \$1,000,000 and his salary is about \$150,000 a year.

West Germany's coach of the year is Karl-Heinz Feldkamp (Kaiserslautern). Readers of 'Kicker' gave him 21.4 per cent of the votes. He was followed by Bayern Munich (16.5 per cent); Udo Lattek (Borussia Dortmund) 15.3 per cent and Branko Zebec (recently dismissed at Hamburger SV) 10 per cent.

Irish League leaders Linfield recently pulled in a 30,000 attendance in their home friendly with Manchester United — bigger than any international attendance for years and six times the normal Linfield gate. Now they are to invite Nottingham Forest for another friendly — hoping for another packed house.

Non-League Yeovil have appointed 33-year-old Johnny Giles of Exeter City as their new player-manager after being turned down by Larry Lloyd of Notts Forest and Dennis Smith of Stoke. First job Giles did was to take Malcolm Allison who had been with Yeovil for a month as a consultant during which time they failed to win a game and were knocked out of the F.A. Trophy competition.

Arsenal and Spurs are both credited with an interest in Aberdeen and Scotland centre back Willie McLeish. But Spurs are also quoted to be interested in Zoran Jelicic of Red Star.

Violence and misbehaviour is worrying some West German clubs. After the 2-2 draw between Dortmund and Schalke fans destroyed a train and pub. And in Hamburg a fan missed death in a semi-pro match when he was struck by a knife thrown from the crowd.

A record number of footballers will join the ranks of the unemployed in Britain at the end of the season. And those not given the boot will face dramatic cuts in wages. This double warning came from Bertie Mee, Arsenal boss when it did the double in 1971 and now assistant-manager of Watford.

Martin O'Neill, Nottingham Forest's 28-year-old Northern Ireland captain, joined Norwich City for \$500,000. O'Neill, a right flank striker, could move on again — if Norwich gets relegated.



Maradona: Footballer of the Year

DIEGO MARADONA (pictured) has been named as America's Footballer of the Year.

The poll is run by the Argentine magazine El Grafico. Maradona finished way out in front with 465 points — almost double the total of runner-up Zico, and four times as many as third-placed Ubaldo Fillol.

Altogether 63 players were mentioned — 15 Argentines, 15 Brazilians, nine Uruguayans, eight Paraguayans, seven Chileans, four Peruvians, two Colombians, one Bolivian, one Mexican and ... one vote too for West Germany's Franz Beckenbauer (on the basis of his recent Cosmos contract).

Ruben Paz, the top Uruguayan to explode in the recent Mundialito, obtained only eight votes.

1980 voting: 1, Diego Maradona (Argentines Juniors, Argentina) 485, 2, Zico (Flamengo, Brazil) 292, 3, Ubaldo Fillol (River Plate, Argentina) 120, 4, Julio Cesar Romero (Cosmos, Paraguay) 85, 5, Daniel Passarella (River, Argentina) 78, 6, Roberto Falcao (Internacional then Roma, Brazil) 64, 7, Socrates (Corinthians, Brazil) 50, 8, Hugo De Leon (National, now Greno, Uruguay) 27, 9, Wellington Ortiz (Dep. Cali, Colombia) 19, 10, Carlos Caszely (Colo Colo, Chile) 18, 11, Julio Cesar Uribe (Sp. Cristal, Peru) 17, 12, Evaristo Lasz (Olimpia, Paraguay) and Ze Sergio (Sao Paulo, Brazil) 16, 14, Patricio Yanez (San Luis, Chile) 15, 15, Teofilo Cubillas (Ft. Lauderdale, Peru) 14, 16, Toninho Cerezo (At. Mineiro, Brazil) 13, 17, Ramon Diaz (River Plate, Argentina) 10, 18, Elias Figueroa (Palestino, Chile) 9, 19, Juan Ramon Carrasco (River Uruguay) and Ruben Paz (Penarol, Uruguay) 8, 21, Batista (Internacional, Brazil), Rodolfo Rodriguez (Nacional, Uruguay) and Manuel Rojas (Palestino, Chile) 7, 24, Ricardo Bochini (Independiente, Argentina), Francisco Marinho (Sao Paulo, Brazil) and Wislender Victorino (Nacional, Uruguay) 6, 27, Reinaldo (At. Mineiro, Brazil) 5, 28, De la Pena (Uruguay), Fabbiani (Chile), Florentin (Paraguay), Galvan (Argentina), Saguler (Paraguay), Kiese (Paraguay), J.J. Lopez (Argentina), Perez (Uruguay), Romero (Bolivia), Sanchez (Mexico) 4, 38, Amu-chestegui (Argentina), Bravo (Argentina), Cabale (Brazil), Cueto (Peru), Gallego (Argentina), Luque (Argentina), Quintano (Chile), Vasconcelos (Brazil) 3, 46, Alonso (Argentina), Barbado (Peru).

PAST WINNERS — 1971 Tostao (Brazil), 1972 Cubillas (Peru), 1973 Pele (Brazil), 1974, 1975 and 1976 Figueroa (Chile), 1977 Zico (Brazil), 1978 Kempes (Argentina), 1979 Maradona (Argentina).

Souness shines

Newport County for the European Cup Winners' Cup!

Although that cry still is in the realms of fantasy the tiny English Third Division club continued its giant killing cup run with an away draw, 2-2, with East German champions Carl Zeiss Jena when first leg quarter-final matches were completed in the three major European club competitions last week.

Scottish international Graeme Souness gave a dazzling display to lead European Cup favorite Liverpool to a 5-1 win over Bulgarian club CSKA Sofia at Anfield. Souness notched a hat-trick and had a hand in Liverpool's other two goals.

The UEFA Cup is shaping as a showdown between current English First Division leader Ipswich and top Bundesliga club Cologne.

Ipswich thrashed France's St. Etienne in Paris while Cologne settled for a scoreless draw in Belgium against Standard Liege.

Tiny Newport faces a daunting task should it get to the semi-finals. Portugal's Benfica, once more emerging as a force in European soccer, drew 2-2 with Fortuna Dusseldorf in Germany and looks to have the Cup Winners' Cup at its mercy.

EUROPEAN CUP. — Quarter-Finals first leg: Liverpool (Eng) 5, CSKA Sofia (Bulg.) 1; Spartak Moscow (USSR) 0, Real Madrid 0; Bayern Munich (W. Ger.) 2, Bank Astara (Czech.) 0; Inter Milan (It.) 1, Red Star Belgrade (Yug.) 1.

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: Quarter-Finals, first leg: Slavia Sofia (Bulg.) 3, Feyenoord Rotterdam (Neth.) 2; Fortuna Dusseldorf (W. Ger.) 2, Benfica

POLES' AXE SEVEN

THE SCANDALOUS events surrounding the national team before their departure for the World Cup qualifying tie in Malta, have had far reaching consequences for the principal culprits.

The Polish Football Federation (PZPN) suspended Zbigniew Boniek and Stanislaw Terlecki for four months. Zmuda and Jozef Mlynarczyk for eight months. In addition, the national team manager Ryszard Kulesz was dismissed. Goalkeeper Mlynarczyk was also banned from the national team for two years. The fifth accused player Wlodzimierz Smolarek received a two-month ban, suspended for six months.

According to witnesses, including Press reporters who were present at the airport, the players gave Kulesz an ultimatum. Either Mlynarczyk travels, or they don't.

The fracas at the airport was seen live by millions of television viewers all over the country. The next day the PZPN decided to drop Boniek, Zmuda, Terlecki and Mlynarczyk.

Brazil was the leading South American national team of 1980, according to statistics published in the English magazine "World Soccer."

Internationals played by South American countries in 1980:

March: Italy 1 Uruguay 0; Yugoslavia 2 Uruguay 1; Belgium 2 Uruguay 0; Luxembourg 0 Uruguay 1.

May: England 3 Argentina 1; Elre 0 Argentina 1; Austria 1 Argentina 0; Venezuela 1 Panama 0; Panama 2 Venezuela 2.

June: Brazil 2 Mexico 0; Brazil 1 Soviet Union 2; Brazil 2 Chile 1; Brazil 1 Poland 1; Chile 2 Uruguay 1.

July: Bolivia 0 Poland 1; Colombia 1 Poland 4; Uruguay 0 Peru 0.

August: Uruguay 0 Chile 0; Brazil 1 Uruguay 0; Bolivia 1 Paraguay 1; Bolivia 1 Paraguay 3.

—AAP-Reuters

BRAZIL BEST

September: Paraguay 2 Bolivia 1; Argentina 2 Chile 2; Paraguay 1 Brazil 2.

October: Argentina 2 Bulgaria 0; Argentina 2 Poland 1; Argentina 1 Czechoslovakia 0; Brazil 0 Paraguay 0.

November: Bolivia 1 Uruguay 3; Peru 1 Uruguay 1; Bolivia 2 Finland 2; Bolivia 3 Finland 0.

December: Argentina 1 Soviet Union 1; Uruguay 6 Finland 0; Uruguay 5 Bolivia 0; Argentina 5 Switzerland 0; Uruguay 4 Switzerland 0; Brazil 2 Switzerland 0; Uruguay 2 Holland 0.

RIVER PLATE CHALLENGES NACIONAL

WITH only Uruguay to play their end-of-season tournament to qualify two teams to accompany cup holders Nacional (who have a bye in the semi-finals) and Brazil to name their representatives, the other clubs which have qualified for this year's Libertadores Cup are (in their previously chosen first round groups):

Group 1 — River Plate and Rosario Central (Argentina), Atletico Junior de Barranquilla and Deportivo Cali (Colombia); Group 2 — Sporting Cristal and Universidad de Chile (Chile); Group 3 — Barcelona de Guayaquil and Tecnico Universitario de Ambato (Ecuador), Jorge Wilsterman and The Strongest (Bolivia); Group 4 — Estudiantes de

Merida and Portuguesa (Venezuela) and two Uruguayan teams; Group 5 — Cerro Porteno and Olimpia (Paraguay) and two Brazilian teams.

No starting date for the competition had been set at present time and this is likely to lead to some problems as South American countries will be playing their World Cup qualifying group matches this year.

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Saints set hot pace

Manly-St. George 0-4, Marton, Davies, Barton, Griffith.
North Sydney-Canterbury 1-0, Dale.
Croatia-Melita Eagles 3-1, Parker, Pagano, Montgomery (C), Allan (M).
Sutherland-Bankstown 2-1, Grooms, Hesford (S), Ree (B).
Avala-Monaro Inter 1-0, Samuels (2), Tilt (A), Heywood (IM).
Auburn-Polonia 1-0, Thiering.
Parramatta-Riverwood 3-2, Savorog, Crawford, Roden (P), Landon (R).

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
St. George	2	2	0	0	10	1	4
Croatia	2	2	0	0	8	1	4
Sutherland	2	2	0	0	4	1	4
Auburn	2	2	0	0	2	0	4
Melita Eagles	2	1	0	1	4	4	2
Parramatta	2	1	0	1	3	3	2
North Sydney	2	1	0	1	2	2	2
Polonia	2	1	0	1	2	2	2
Avala	2	1	0	1	4	7	2
Manly W.	2	1	0	1	3	6	2
Canterbury	2	0	0	2	2	4	0
Riverwood	2	0	0	2	3	8	0
Bankstown	2	0	0	2	2	5	0
Inter Monaro	2	0	0	2	1	5	0

Goal scorers:
4. Marton, Deazo (SG).
2. Landon (Riv), Samuels (Av), Parker, Pagano, Montgomery (Cr), Fox (MW), Farrugia (ME), Grooms (S).
1. Tracey (Riv), Thiering, Brown (Aub), Karanilovski, Tilt (Av), Rootsey, Ree (B), Brown, George (CM), Henman, Pagano (Cr), Heywood (IM), Vale (MW), McCoy, Call (ME), Yousef, Dale (NS), Crawford, Roden (P), Harris, Noble (P), Kay, Walker, Beggs, Davies, Barton, Griffith (SG), Bush, Hesford (Su).

Former Philips League stars St. George remain at the top of the NSW State league points table after they cruised to a convincing 4-0 victory over Manly today.

St. George, under the guidance of coach Frank Arok, looks a revitalised side and kept pressing Manly for the entire 90 minutes.

In fact, two of Saints' goals came in the last 10 minutes, a fact which pleased the tough taskmaster, Arok.

Croatia maintained their strong candidature for the premiership when they knocked off last season's premiers Melita 3-1 at King Tomislav Park.

In other results Parramatta beat Riverwood 3-2, Sutherland moved into third spot after beating Bankstown 2-1 and Avala beat Inter Monaro 3-1.

Auburn now lies fourth after its 1-0 victory over newly promoted Polonia and North Sydney sent Canterbury tumbling to its second straight loss with a 1-0 victory at Arlington Oval. St. George's performance against the determined Manly unit would have put many PSL sides to shame.

Brian Parker and Bobby Pagano opened for Croatia before Don Allan pulled one back for Melita.

With the Eagles pushing forward it was Steve Montgomery who got the goal that finally killed off Melita's chances of a point.

Sutherland maintained their good form with another win, this time over Bankstown.

The Sharks have recovered from the mauling they received last year and look set to keep pace with the leaders.



Newcastle goalkeeper parries a shot by West Adelaide's Peter Boyle in the match at Hindmarsh. Other players, from left: Roy Drinkwater, Paul Reaney (Boyle), Arno Bertogna, Manecas. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

Ernie Campbell wrecks Croatia

St George 4
Croatia 1

Referee: Peter Ramdey 7
Ground: Barton Park

Scores: St G. Campbell 3 (4' 89' 90'), McIntosh 36', Croatia - Kovacic 38'.

Cautions: Hadley 45', Fomeca 71'.

ST GEORGE: Smith 7, Duarte 7, D. Sloan 7, Kanacki 8, McDonald 7, (Tuntovski 55', Davies 74') Hadley 7, Kay 6,



NSW AMPOL CUP

By Ted Smithies and Roger Sherack



Riverwood 0
Parramatta 3

Ground: Barton Park
Referee: Tim Davies 6

Scores: S. Mitchell 13th, J. Herron 61st, 86th.

RIVERWOOD: R. Gisbourne 4, D. Martin 5, (Butcher 45' 6') J. Wignall 6, B. Oldham 6, P. Pikas 6, J. Lee 6, C. Graszowski 6, W. Savor 6, A. Fisher 6, A. Tracey 6, G. Landon 7.

PARRAMATTA: D. Donovan 7, C. McKenzie 6, P. Biglands 6, G. Fairclough 6, T. Hynes 6, P. Cook 6, (Jordan 70' W, Brizuela 6, Bates 6, K. Crawford 6, (Stuckland 70' J. Herron 7, S. Mitchell 6.

The key word in describing this match is "upset". Parramatta upset Riverwood by beating them 3-0 and the match upset the spectators by being of such poor quality.

Both sides were incapable of stringing together more than three passes without giving possession back to the opposition. It was as if the ball had some disease which no-one wanted anything to do with.

Riverwood was the first to have a real scoring chance when they were awarded what only could be described as a dubious penalty by referee Tim Davies.

The chance was however squandered when Alan Fisher pushed the ball softly towards the left-hand upright. Credit must be given to Dennis Donovan however for no matter how they are hit they are very hard to stop.

Only three minutes later Parramatta hit the front when Mitchell popped the ball up towards goal. Keeper Gisbourne misjudged it and in attempting to tip it over the bar pushed it into the back of his own net.

Little else occurred in this half and Parramatta went in at the break with a 1-0 lead.

It was 2-0 in the 61st minute when Jim Herron went past three Riverwood defenders and easily slipped an angled shot past Ron Gisbourne.

While Gisbourne appeared to dive late you can't blame him for this one as Herron should never have got as close as he did.

Only four minutes from the end Parramatta made it 3-0.

This one was quite a surprise to both Jim Herron and keeper Gisbourne.

Herron had a rather ambitious shot from 30 metres out.

It didn't have a great deal of sting to it but Gisbourne was again late in moving and could only watch with dismay as the ball ended in the battle of the net.

While 3-0 appears to be an impressive win there wasn't really all that much between the two sides.

To Parramatta's good fortune they registered their first win of the season by making less mistakes than their more accomplished Riverwood opponents.

Paul Cook assaulted, Slavia claims

Victorian First Division club Slavia has sent a report to the VSF alleging that an Altona Gate player assaulted Slavia's Paul Cook in a friendly game between the two clubs a fortnight ago.

Slavia's letter urges the federation to immediately convene an investigation committee to look into the alleged incident.

The club's solicitor has been asked to serve a writ for damages against an Altona Gate player.

Cook was hospitalised after the match. He suffered a broken nose and severe facial and head injuries and will be out of action for at least six weeks.

His loss is a further blow to Slavia's chances of regaining the State League status it lost last year.

Cliff Whiteside probably will sign with Queensland State League club Townsville for about \$5,000. Paul Wade has joined Croydon, Danny Ward has gone to Melbourne and keeper Elvio Pugliese will be trailing with an Italian Second Division side shortly.

Slavia has signed Vlado Bozinovski from Melbourne and Hansen Liu crossed in a swap with Ward.

The club hopes to bring back Paul Smith from the U.K.

Morwell replies

SIR — It is sad that Park Rangers coach Hugh Murney claims the good relationship between Park Rangers and Morwell Falcons has ended because of Paddy McElhinney joining our club.

We can understand that Mr Murney may have been angered by losing a good player to us but we are sure Park Rangers committee would not condone such a statement.

We, the committee, especially, take umbrage to the remark that no-one can match Morwell Falcons' money.

To put Mr Murney in the pic-

ture, the committee and many club members do work very hard raising funds the same as any other club and we do not have a money tree growing on our premises as Mr Murney seems to think.

To the best of our knowledge Paddy McElhinney was signed fair and square.

We would like to assure Mr Murney, and anyone else, that the integrity of Morwell Falcons soccer club will always be our first and foremost consideration.

— HENRY RICHTER, Morwell Falcons Public Relations Officer

GROUP A:						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Melita	1	2	0	5	4	4
Wollongong	1	2	0	3	2	4
Manly	0	1	1	2	3	1
N. Sydney	0	1	1	0	1	1
GROUP B:						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
St. George	2	0	0	8	3	4
Croatia	1	0	1	6	4	2
Parramatta	1	0	1	3	5	2
Riverwood	0	0	2	2	7	0
GROUP C:						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Canterbury	1	0	0	6	1	2
Fairy Meadow	1	0	0	2	0	2
Bankstown	1	0	1	3	7	2
Inter Monaro	0	0	2	1	4	0
GROUP D:						
	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Polonia	2	0	0	7	3	4
Sutherland	1	1	0	6	3	3
Auburn	0	1	1	2	5	1
Avala	0	0	2	4	8	0

GROUP C: Canterbury-Monaro 6.45, 11.3.81, Seymour Shaw; Bankstown-Fairy Meadow, 8.30, 11.3.81, St. George. GROUP D: Sutherland-Polonia, 8.30, 11.3.81, Seymour Shaw. Auburn-Avala, 6.45, 11.3.81, St. George.

Figures don't add up

From page 3

I've seen people acting in an honorary capacity with a club, taking \$4 at the gate and letting a car drive into a ground without a ticket changing hands. Is it any wonder that you ask yourself what's happening when you assess a crowd at about 1,000 and you get only 300 people paying?

I know that there are lots of free passes but even if you exaggerate the free passes and say that they total 50% of the crowd, what's happening to the other 50%, because we're not even getting that much.

After the VSF takes its commission and all other expenses are met there's virtually nothing for the 12 clubs to share from the Ampol Cup gates.

In all VSF cups, the George Cross players get 70% of all gate money we receive. That is, 70% of what's left after most of the money goes elsewhere.

The only incentive we can offer our players is 50% of all prizemoney as well as the honour of winning a trophy, but it's not enough.

As for Mr Dimitis telling us to build up our image, let me enlighten him that image-building runs a very poor second to building a winning side.

What's the point in every club pushing itself in the Press every week if it's losing. The supporters might be taken in once or twice but if you keep losing they'll just stay away.

It's up to the VSF to realise that Cup matches played before the season are seen by most clubs and most coaches as trial games.

That's why these competitions suffer.

Let's arrange such competitions when every club is well organised on the field and has a fair sense of where it's going in the league.

Then we'll see better games. Then the people and the Press will show more interest and the clubs and players will reap the rewards they deserve.

My plea is for club administrators and the VSF to read this with an open mind. There's a lot of work ahead for both parties.

To the VSF I say start giving us a better deal.

If the VSF is going to increase affiliation fees as drastically as it has done this year then clubs expect something back. And that something should be a hell of a lot more than we're getting.

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VICTORIAN AMPOL CUP

Croydon the new Makedonia?



BY CRAIG MACKENZIE

Croatia and Croydon for the final!

That's my confident assertion after watching a pathetic Hakoah performance last week against Frankston.

Had Hakoah played well I wouldn't have known which way to go but it will take a real Jackyill and Hyde performance from Fred Bunce's side to get past the aggressive, fit Croydon.

Every side is entitled to a bad day but Hakoah hasn't been impressive lately whereas Croydon has steadily given encouraging signs of being capable of taking over Makedonia's mantle as the powerful, hard-hitting, hard-running side in the State League.

Ian Loughnane is a fine signing and once Peter Abbott gets going, Croydon will have a strong front line.

Alan Pongho and Steve McCombe are very reliable and Paul Wade has added a touch of class to the midfield.

Dave Brogan is a skilful, creative player who has the ability to find space from deep and Hakoah's midfielders will have to watch him closely.

The second semi-final brings together some of the top players in the State League.

This weekend's Ampol Cup semi-finals with likely winners in capitals:
CROYDON v Hakoah at Olympic Park, Saturday, 7.00 pm.
CROATIA v Ajax at Olympic Park, Saturday, about 8.45 pm.

'Butch' Kokoska is one of the best stoppers in Australia. His clash with Ajax striker Gus McLeod will be a highlight.

These two sides meet tonight (Wednesday) in the Phillips Cup. Let's hope that they both can field a full line-up for Saturday night's game.

Cups king Croatia rightly has surged to favoritism for the Ampol Cup. No wonder, with a record of 14 goals for and only two against in the preliminary rounds.

Noel Mitten has yet to recapture the blistering acceleration which made him such an exciting player in previous years. If he fires on Saturday night Carl Gilder will think all his birthdays have come at once and his goalscoring will blossom.

Ned Batnovic won't get much change out of Ajax's fierce full back Peter Lewis. Don't be surprised to see Batnovic spending most of his time on Croatia's right side.

This will allow Ken Murphy space in which to go at Lewis. It should be a hell of a clash.

It will be interesting to see how Rocco Ilie cuts out Ajax's use of John Gardiner as the spare man at the back.

Mitten or Gilder probably will push up onto Gardiner who will have to be at his best to stem the Croatia tides.

But Ajax coach Bobby McLachlan has been toying with the idea of using Gardiner in midfield. We won't know until Saturday.

There could be a couple of interesting exchanges between McLeod and Croatia keeper Peter Blasby. When McLeod makes up his mind to go for the ball he doesn't stop and he knows how to use his arms and legs to protect himself. Just ask Northcote keeper Sakis Tachiris.

But Blasby's been around and won't stand for any rough stuff.

Then there's the Ante Bilaver — Bill Morrey clash. It will be bone-crunching stuff should they exchange pleasantries out wide.

It will be a torrid encounter for Croatia but just the sort of contest to sharpen its appetite for another Cup success to add to the wealth of trophies accumulated in the past five years.

3 for Gus, new men for Shiners

Croatia and Ajax are on a collision course in the semi-final of the 1981 Ampol Cup after convincing victories last Saturday night at Olympic Park, while Croydon steamrolled Juventus with a powerful display highlighted by Croydon's re-freshing attacking approach.

Ajax striker Gus McLeod notched the first hat-trick by an Ajax player in the past 15 years of senior competition. The last first team hat-trick at Ajax was scored by Charlie Vella.

McLeod marched to the top of the Ampol Cup goalscorers' list alongside young Juventus striker Fabio Incantulupo and has the opportunity to become leading scorer as Juventus failed to make the semi-finals.

Hakoah sneaked into the semi-finals thanks to Altona keeper Dennis Massani who made a series of point-blank saves to deny George Cross the extra goals needed to displace Hakoah from its runner-up spot in group A.

Earlier Frankston had defeated Hakoah 1-0 giving Cross the opportunity of convincingly defeating Altona to snatch a semi-final spot but Massani and the Altona defence held firm until a late goal from Cross midfielder Dave Rigby.

You can't please the Cross fans.

They were shouting at coach Archie Campbell late in the game to instruct his players not to score!

The Cross fans reasoned that a late goal wouldn't help their cause but 20 minutes of extra time would give their side a better chance to score two or three goals and pressure Hakoah out of a semi-final berth.

But the Cross ended its Ampol Cup campaign as the most improved side in the league. With a top central striker Cross will perform well this season.

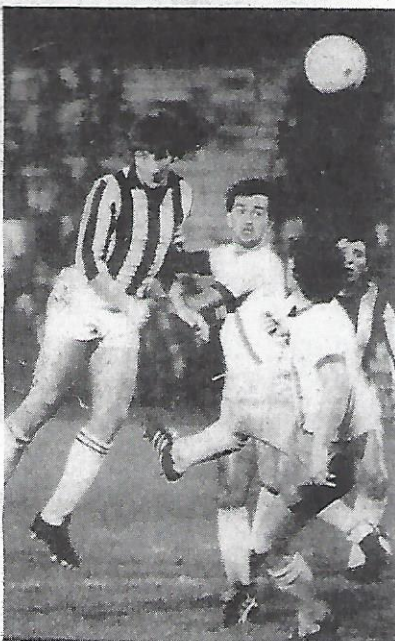
Ajax looked shaky for about 15 minutes against Northcote on Saturday night.

In this time Sakis Sahinidis converted a penalty after a controversial decision from referee Mike Gaut. Kris Kallifatis, playing up front, seemed to back into Ajax central defender Stuart Cannell before Cannell manhandled him but referee Gaut had no hesitation in pointing to the spot.

Northcote's hopes of an upset win didn't last long.

Peter Lewis, having a superb match, crossed to the far post and McLeod picked his spot and headed firmly past Northcote keeper Sakis Tachiris. A minute later McLeod struck again.

Mark Karabatsos failed to clear effectively and Steve Crilly drove the ball across goal. McLeod, in his favorite far post spot, cleverly flicked the ball first time over Tach-



Juventus newcomer Andy McMillan (left) wins this header under pressure from Hakoah midfielder Ian McNeil in last week's Phillips Cup battle at Olympic Park.

iris and high into the back of the net.

Ajax coach Bobby McLachlan had been unhappy with Bill Morrey's inability to cross the ball early but this week it was a different Morrey.

Revering in the great support he often received from Lewis, Morrey tore the heart out of the Northcote defence. In the 55th minute he crossed to McLeod who headed home. There's no prize for guessing which position McLeod again had ghosted into.

But 'Big Gus' missed a simple chance two minutes later and blew a four-goal game.

The second of last Saturday night's Olympic Park double header featured an out-of-sorts Croatia against Ringwood.

Croatia has to get its act together before Saturday night's semi-final against Ajax.

It may seem strange to criticise a side which won 4-0 but Croatia never broke sweat and catered past a disappointing Ringwood. John O'Callaghan showed fight in the midfield for Ringwood and David Brooks performed well with little support.

Peter Blasby's long punts

downfield exposed Ringwood in the second half but Croatia striker Noel Mitten finished atrociously when he could have walked off the field with at least a hat-trick.

Two fine set-piece moves were the highlights of Croatia's performance.

Both involved Ken Murphy free kicks. The first found the head of 'Butch' Kokoska and the second was glanced home by Carl Gilder.

Frankston surprised Hakoah at Middle Park.

Hakoah's forwards failed to impress. Stan Webster battled hard but Mike Gesos couldn't find the space he found at the Phillips Cup last week in the Phillips Cup match against Juventus.

Chris Kent plays very deep now. Gone is the brilliant burst of speed which used to carry him past defenders with ease. He still is an excellent crosser but until his confidence picks up and he starts taking on defenders he won't realise his potential.

Frankston striker Robbie Stewart had his best game for the Baysiders. He grew in confidence after being denied a goal from a great first-time volley. Hakoah keeper Mike Fryzser was down in a flash at the near post to parry wide.

Frankston's stars were two youngsters — Dave Gilbert and Kevin Burroughs.

Gilbert has been very impressive throughout the Ampol Cup. Against Hakoah he did everything asked of him, including a fine reflex save from a close-range header late in the game from Webster.

Burroughs scored the decider, and what a crackline

defenders then unleashed a fierce left-foot shot from just outside the area. Fryzser dived at full stretch but was well beaten.

Hakoah showed a disappointing lack of imagination when going forward. Danny McCuskey and Bob Adams ruled the airways for most of the match.

Frankston now has a playing Director of Coaching — John Pryde.

Pryde came on with only eight minutes remaining. Unfortunately all players have to play a minimum of 35 minutes to be eligible for a rating in 'Soccer Action'. But I'll give Pryde nine out of ten for his warm-up.

When Fabio Incantulupo headed Juventus into a 1-0 lead last Sunday at Middle Park I started thinking about the confident comments made before the start of the Ampol Cup by Croydon coach Bill McArthur. I didn't have to wait long before being reminded of McArthur's comments. Ian Loughnane struck twice and a left-foot bullet from Dave Brogan completed Juve's demise.

Croydon didn't sit back content with its lead but continued to take the game to Juve and looked fitter and faster at the end.

The second half was a fine spectacle, far different to the standard of most of this year's Ampol Cup games.

Juve's central defensive combination of Andy McMillan and John Creany too often was caught square and paid the penalty against Croydon.

Sunshine fell to a penalty in the last minute of extra time against Doveton.

The spectacle prompted Doveton coach Danny McMinimee to be critical of play in his post-match comments.

"Extra time was an embarrassment. The referee should have done everyone a favor and tossed a coin to decide the winner. That's what sort of game it was," said McMinimee.

The Shiners have signed Rob Gramsbergen and Nick Lowe. They gave Altona \$2,000 for Gramsbergen and got Lowe on a free from Frankston.

Gramsbergen had a promising debut and both back fours played well.

Steve Irvine scored from the spot in the dying moments after Steve Ellis was penalised for handling. There were doubts about the intention of Ellis's handball.

The second Kim Reserve clash was enveloped in drama with George Cross aware of Hakoah's loss and the possibility of snatching a semi-final berth.

But Sunshine's Massani had an unforgettable match and was unlucky not to stop

Rigby's late header which settled the issue.

The Cross is trying to sign Chris Kent's brother Brian and to be interested in Dave Perkin from Ajax.

Altona featured newcomer David Stokes from Sunbury and showed great spirit. It was hindered by the absence of the injured George Watters and Nat Little was replaced after only five minutes suffering from ligament trouble so Altona performed without two players with the ability to hold possession.

Altona's Ampol Cup campaign ended without a goal to its credit and unless it can improve its striking power it's in for a dismal time in the league.

ALL THE DETAILS

AJAX (McLeod 3) NORTH-COTE (Sahinidis pen.) at Olympic Park. MATCH RATING 7. Referee: Gaut 7.
AJAX: Danya 7 - Lewis 5, Cannell 8, Gardiner 7, Smart 7 - Bennett 7, Vassallo 6, Crilly 6 - Wall 6, McLeod 8, Morrey 5.
NORTH-COTE: Tachiris 7 - Stojanovic 6, Bozika 6, Karabatsos 6, Loukas 6, Fekas 5 - Gatzoris 6, Batticchio 6, Rujovic 7 - Sahinidis 7, Kallifatis 6, Testas 5 (in). Ignatidis 5 (out).

CROATIA 4 (Kokoska, Adams pen., Gilder, Mitten) RINGWOOD 0 at Olympic Park. MATCH RATING 5. Referee: Johns 7.
CROATIA: Blasby 7 - Short 7, Kerr 7, Kokoska 7, Bilaver 7 - Tront 7 (Dezic 47th), Adams 6, Murphy 7 - Mitten 8, Gilder 7, Batnovic 6.
RINGWOOD: Bravo 6 - Pasman 6, Brooks 6, Luytan 5, Verriera 6 - O'Callaghan 7, Malt 5, Greenwald 6 - Anderson 5, O'Reilly 5, Greener 5.

HAKOAH 0 FRANKSTON 1 (Burroughs) at Middle Park. MATCH RATING 6. Referee: Henderson 8.
HAKOAH: Fryzser 7 - Wilson 6, Dosen 6, Jordanov 6, Rooney 7 - Blair 6, McNeil 6 (Thomson 45th), Kent 5 - Webster 6, French 6, Gesos 6 (Mellaghan 45th).
FRANKSTON: Gilbert 8 - Thomson 7, McCuskey 7, Adams 7, Ormond 7 - Younglin 6, Burroughs 15th 7, Buchanan 7, Cooper 6, Stewart 7 - Walsh 7, Delyannis 6 (Pryde 62nd).

CROYDON 3 (L. Loughnane 2, Brogan) JUVENTUS 1 (Incantulupo) at Middle Park. MATCH RATING 8. Referee: Mellings 6.
CROYDON: Edwards 7 - Brown 6, Pongho 7, McCombe 7, Hobson 7 - Smith 7, Wade 7 - P. Loughnane 7, Abbott 6, L. Loughnane 8.
JUVENTUS: Fantoma 6 - Donaldson 7, McMillan 6, Creany 6, Hird 7 - Mobilia 6, Sannipoli 7, Petridis 6, (McGuinness 41st, Tachiris 2 (in), Lay Steel 6th) - Ristovski 7, Incantulupo 7.

DOVETON (Irvine pen.) SUNSHINE 0 A.E.T. at Kim Reserve. MATCH RATING 5.
DOVETON: Ivanoff 7 - Thurlow 7, Corrie 7, Merrick 7, McConville 7 - Bentley 6, Wilcock 5, Campbell 5 - Irvine 6, McDonald 4 (Bradshaw 40th 5) Cherry 4 (Robertson H.T. extra time).

SUNSHINE: Contini 6 - Dixey 7, Gramsbergen 7, Ellis 7, Morovic 7 - Campbell 7, Nelson 6, Espósito 5 - Laing 6, Mudrinic 7, McNally 5.

GEORGE CROSS 1 (Rigby) ALTONA 0 at Kim Reserve. MATCH RATING 6.
GEORGE CROSS: Gay 7 - Gamble 7, Wilkinson 6, Morgan 7, Maitland 6 - Bannan 8, Rigby 6, McKinley 7 - Flaherty 8, Mizzi 7, Farmer 2.
ALTONA: Massani 9 - P. Wilson 6, K. Wilson 8, Kilpatrick 6, McGilver 7 - Murphy 7, Innes 7, Stokes 5 (Olive 45th) - O'Dwyer 7, Lewis 6, Little (in), Marny Gamble 5th 6).

Ampol Cup standings:

SECTION A	W	L	F	A	Pts
Croatia	4	1	14	2	8
Hakoah	3	2	6	4	6
Geo. Cross	3	2	5	4	6
Frankston	3	2	6	6	6
Ringwood	2	3	3	8	4
Altona	0	5	0	10	0

Croatia and Hakoah qualify for the semi-finals.

SECTION B	W	L	F	A	Pts
Croydon	4	1	8	3	8
Ajax	4	1	10	7	8
Juventus	3	2	9	8	6
Northcote	2	3	7	9	4
Doveton	2	3	5	7	4
Sunshine	0	5	5	10	0

Croydon and Ajax qualify for the semi-finals.

Ampol Cup goalscorers' list:
5 - Incantulupo (Juventus), McLeod (Ajax)
4 - Gilder (Croatia)
3 - Brogan (Croydon), Adams (Croatia)
2 - Irvine (Doveton), Nelson (Sunshine), Murphy, Batnovic (Croatia), McGuinness (Juventus), Rigby, Mizzi (George Cross), Spinks, L. Loughnane (Croydon), Tsetsos, Sahinidis (Northcote), Wall (Ajax), Webster, McCluskey (Hakoah), Adams (Frankston).
1 - Gatzoris, Palusso, Nicolides (Northcote), Lewis, Cannell, Morrey (Ajax), Tront, Kokoska, Mitten (Croatia), Collier, Train, Thurlow (Doveton), Scarr, Mudrinic, Espósito (Sunshine), Gillan, Ristovski (Juventus), Wyllie (Croydon), French, Kent (Hakoah), Delyannis, Buchanan, McCuskey, Burroughs (Frankston), Flaherty (George Cross), Thom, Greener, O'Reilly (Ringwood).

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BANNON (Geo. Cross)	WADE (Croydon)	BROGAN (Croydon)	

Taylor to Tassie, new men for Juve

John Taylor has been appointed full-time coach of Tasmanian State League Club Brighton ICL.

Taylor played for Heidelberg United and Frankston City.

His first move towards strengthening Brighton, which has lost former Sunshine City (Vic) player Terry Banagan, is to bring striker Kevin Swincoe back from England.

Swincoe played for Frankston in the Victorian State League a few seasons ago.

Brighton's stars are defender John Charlton, the son of England's Jackie Charlton and Ian Parker (ex-Middlesbrough) who scored four goals against Howrah in a recent Cup match.

Juventus

Victorian State League club Juventus hopes to sign two players from overseas.

They are Steve Wink and Bobby Ward.

Winn, 24, is a striker who has been with English Third Division club Rotherham for four seasons. He was recommended to Juventus coach Joe Wilson by Newport Country manager Jimmy Goodfellow.

Ward, 25, is a midfielder who was on Glasgow Celtic's books before joining Newport.

Disgruntled Sunshine defender Frank Mussel has been training regularly with Juventus and the club hopes to sign him soon.

Coke backing

Coca-Cola again will sponsor the NSW State League Player of the Year award and a spectators' award.

The winner of each will receive a car from Tony Packard Holden.

Village Theatres will provide double passes to be won by fans at matches in the top three divisions.

In addition, passes to the Coca-Cola FIFA world youth championships will be given out.

The best player and spectators' award winners will be announced at the grand final at

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the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday September 20.

Avent free

Striker Peter Avent, 37, who has seven years' experience in the Victorian First Division, is available on a free transfer.

He would prefer a club in the Southern of Peninsula District. He can be contacted on 544 055 (business) or 772 1579 (home).

Milosevic

Blacktown is expecting rapid improvement from its new signing Dino Milosevic from Newcastle.

Milosevic, 18, a forward, played for KB United's youth team last year.

But he decided to try his luck in Sydney and was signed by Blacktown coach RALE RASIC after he had first tried out with Tommy Docherty at Olympic.

Milosevic spent four months training with Nottingham Forest in England last year.

Meanwhile, Blacktown's other recent signing, Branko Culina, has been showing a lot of promise in attack. The former Essendon Croatia (Vic.) forward recently took on the formidable defender Arno Bertogna in a game against Newcastle and still managed to get a lot of positive things done for his team.

SP bookie

A former Victorian Metropolitan League club secretary has leaked a letter sent to Victorian clubs from a Sydney-based S.P. bookmaker.

The letters were sent before last weekend's English F.A. Cup quarter-finals.

Club members, players and officials are given the opportunity to ring a Sydney number named on a business card accompanying each letter which reads:

"Wembly Stadium — Saturday, 9th May, 1981, full TV coverage — Channel 2.

Betting to win the F.A. Cup — Tottenham Hotspurs 3/1, Nottingham Forest 4/1, Ipswich 9/2, Manchester City

9/2, Middlesbrough 5/1, Everton 6/1, Wolves 8/1, Exeter 50/1.

Prices subject to fluctuation.

The draw for the quarter-finals played on Saturday, 7 March, 1981...

Prices for individual games in brackets
Middlesbrough (4/6) v Wolves (1/1) draw 6/4.

Notts Forest (9/10) v Ipswich (9/10) draw 1/1.

Everton (4/6) v Manchester City (5/4) draw 6/4.

Tottenham (1/3) v Exeter (7/4) draw 2/1.

Send no money, just phone through your selection, state how much you wish to wager, give your name and address and telephone number, and you're on, we will bill you after the result or send your winnings by cheque.

Dickinson

Wollongong City left back Tony Dickinson is expected to be out of action for 14 weeks.

An injury sustained against Heidelberg United was later diagnosed to be an ankle fracture.

Dickinson joined Wollongong from Tasmanian club Brighton ICL. Previously he was on the books of Middlesbrough in England.

Forward Brian Turner, who also was injured against Heidelberg, required 16 stitches to a head wound.

'Age' blasted

Victorian Soccer Federation president John Dimitsis this week criticised "The Age" newspaper over its neglect of soccer in its "Age" - Calix Sports Star of the Year award.

There were no nominations from soccer.

Mr. Dimitsis asked why "The Age" had not considered Gary Cole who was PSL top-scorer last year, Bobby McGuinness who was the 1980 Rothmans Medalist and State League top scorer, or Alan Davidson who was the star of the Soccerroos' world tour.

"The presentation night was one of the highlights of the Victorian sports calendar, but by

ignoring soccer altogether, the organisers dealt one of Australia's major sports a hefty slap in the face," Mr Dimitsis said.

Boys sought

Victorian State League club Hakoah is on the look-out for top juniors to play in the club's under-16 team in the State League Colts League.

The team is coached by Bill Naday who has an impressive background in Victorian junior soccer.

Naday coached Melbourne's under-9's throughout the early years of its team development. He took the boys through to under-16 level.

He coached Melbourne to a 1-0 victory over Preston Macedonia in last year's Dockery Cup.

He also coached Elwood High School to its sole win in the Victorian High School Championships.

Any boys interested in trialing for the eight or nine places in the under-16 squad should attend the first trial tonight (Wednesday) at Middle Park at 6 pm. Subsequent trials will be held over the following two Wednesdays at the same venue at 6 pm.

Further information can be gained by contacting Bill Naday after hours on 531 4002.

State Colts

Frankston City's registration of State Colts in age groups under 14, under 15 and under 16 will take place at Frankston City's ground, Centenary Park, McClelland Drive, Frankston, Vic., on Saturday March 14 at 10 am.

Seeking club

A young player has written to "Soccer Action" from England, asking us to help him find a club in Australia.

He is Stephen Daniels, 19, 5 ft. 6 ins., 10 st., a midfielder or left back. He has no ties and is available immediately.

He doesn't say for which club he has played, describing himself only as a "good player who hasn't had a chance".

He can be contacted at: Old School House, Sheepbridge Lane, Old Rossington, DN 11 0EZ, South Yorkshire, England.

VOJTEK BIDS FOR SEGI AND KLARIN

Western Suburbs starts its drive to regain a place in the Victorian State League when it meets Keilor Austria this Saturday.

By CRAIG MacKENZIE

Suburbs is coached by former Australian international Bill Vojtek who is keen to sign Andy Segi from Ajax and Mick Klarin from Croatia.

Kil Grechan, Steve Carr, John and Jim Daperis and Marian Jaworski have left Suburbs but player-coach Vojtek is confident that his new charges will do well against Austria.

Last week Suburbs beat George Cross 2-1 in a practice match so it will approach this opening to the First Division season expecting a good result against Austria.

Austria has lost Brian Flaherty to George Cross and Peter Ebini may follow. Coach Frank McAleer probably will rely on a blend of youth and experience to carry Austria this year.

Tom Brewerton signed last week after showing interest in joining Suburbs. Along with John Webb, George Craig and Frank Petersen these experienced players are expected to knit together well with youngsters like Osman Latif and Tony Discher.

But Suburbs will start favorites.

Slavia accompanied Suburbs down into First Division last year but Tony Vrzina's side should take both points from its clash with Moreland.

Albion Rovers and Park Rangers should share the points at Selwyn Park on Saturday.

The Rangers are particularly strong in mid-field where former Hellas star Andy Savage has been signed from Morwell Falcons and Craig Nisbet has signed from J.U.S.T.

But under new coach Frank Munro the Rovers should hold Hugh Murney's charges at bay.

It won't exactly be a dawdle for Falcons when they travel to Box Hill this Saturday.

But it's hard to see the Hillmen matching the class of Falcons midfielders Jimmy MacKay and Paddy McElhinney.

SELECTIONS

Selections by Craig MacKenzie:

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE:

DIVISION 1: Saturday: Box Hill v MORWELL

FALCONS Albion Rovers v Kew Park Rangers (draw) v Richmond.

Sunday: POLONIA Moreland v SLAVIA WESTERN

SUBURBS v Keilor-Austria ALTONA GATE v Knox City

DIVISION 11: Saturday: Heidelberg United v

FRANKSTON PINES DANES HONG CITY v Doncaster

Rovers Footscray J.U.S.T. v MELBOURNE, Wa-

verley City v SPRINGVALE CITY, Macedonia v FAW-

KNEI, Andover v SOUTH MELBOURNE WELLS

DIVISION III: Saturday: PRAHRAN CITY v St Al-

bans, ELTHAM v Port Melbourne, Corio v Ball Park

(draw), COBURG v Heidelberg, RINGWOOD UNITED

v Broadmeadow City, Yellours v WERRIBEE

DIVISION IV: Saturday: Farmfree Gully v Chelsea

(draw), SUNBURY UNITED v Kaysborough, MOO-

RABIN CITY v Sandringham City, Brighton v North

Dandenong (draw), Mornington v Royal Park (draw).

Sunday: MUNAWADING CITY v Monash University

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE:

Saturday: DIVISION I: MOOROOLBARK v Hamlyn

Rangers, SOUTH OAKLEIGH v Hotham United, Es-

endon City v THOMASTOWN, Melton v CARLTON,

Rosebud v Caulfield City (draw), GEELONG v Green-

sborough.

DIVISION II: LANGWARRIN v Hawthorn Citizens,

HAWKSBURN v Shepparton City, Labor United v

NORTH GEELONG, Ballarat v CLAYTON, KARINGAL

UNITED v South Yarra, Nunawading United v EAST

BRUNSWICK

DIVISION III: ROSANNA v Moe United, MOR-

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DISTRICT LEAGUE:

Sunday: DIVISION I: Monbulk v CENTRAL CITY,

MOONIE PONDS v Chesham, MALVERN CITY v

Abbotsford Tasse, Burrely v Brunswick City (draw),

MITCHAM UNITED v Postal Institute, South Dan-

denong v ALTONA UNITED.

DIVISION II: WEST BRUNSWICK v Bankale,

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EAST CARLTON, North Melbourne v ASCOT

UNITED, CLARINDA v Central Brunswick, Hampton

Wanderers v VERMONT.

DIVISION III: PORT UNITED v Seaford United,

YARRALEEN v Parkmore, MOBFEL RANGERS v

Murrumbidgee United, Balclava v Diamond Creek,

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Springvale United.

CENTRAL AMATEUR: Sunday:

DIVISION I: BUNDOORA v Melbourne Uni. Ama-

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ROBE UNIVERSITY v Lyndale United.

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Epping Thistle v RAAF Melbourne (draw), Westall v

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This week's picture was submitted by J. Janko, 19 Canara Avenue, Para Hills, South Australia. It shows Vic Bozanic of West Adelaide (right) evading a strong slide tackle from Adelaide City's Bobby Russell.

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Canon CLUB CLOSE-UP NORTHCOTE



BACK ROW: Kris Kallitidis (from Hellas, 1981), Philip Palausso (Moonee Ponds, 1979), Spiro Tsatsos (George Cross, 1979), George Bozikis (Hellas, 1978), Sakis Sahlidis (Heidelberg, 1980), Mirko Rujovic (JUST 1981), Con Dimopoulos (Altona Gate, 1980), Sakis Tachris (Clifton Hill, 1980), Mike Soglamou (Western Suburbs, 1979).
FRONT ROW: Giovanni Batticchio (Hellas, 1979), Jim Loukas (from juniors), Con Fakos (Doreton, 1980), Con Ignatidis (Altona, 1978), Mark Karabatsos (Kastoria, Greece, 1980), Bill Garconis (Hellas Juniors 1978).
INSET: John Nicolaidis (JUST 1979).

Northcote was formed in 1962 as Hercules Soccer Club. Founder members included M. Athanatos, G. Kallifors, M. Aletis, M. Tsaknis, and J. Belesis. Hercules became Princes Park Hercules then in 1972 the club became Collingwood. In 1977 the year Northcote won promotion to the First Division of the Metropolitan Leagues the club changed to its present name and moved to John Cain Reserve where a development project is underway. On completion some \$760,000 will be spent. Northcote became the first Australian soccer club to receive a grant of \$40,000 controlled by the second home game of this coming State League season. Not bad for a club which recently won promotion to the State League after Makedonia joined PSL ranks.



**Official Camera of
the 1978 Soccer World Cup
Buenos Aires, Argentina.**

SOCCER ACTION

SIR — Re: Article "Marconi boss sent out", February 25, 1981, "Soccer Action".

I found the interview with Tony Labonte, president of Marconi Leagues, most interesting reading. However, some of Tony's answers to the forthright questions put to him by Laurie Schwab are somewhat misleading, particularly where they relate to the activities of the Australian Soccer Federation Marketing Centre.

CLUB NAMES

Tony is quite right in stating that the soccer club names adopted by the clubs are of the 'nicknames'.

To my knowledge no Philips Soccer League club has changed the registered name of its club, nor have they been requested to do so. The idea of adopting nicknames is quite simply an investment for the future.

As simply one ingredient in the overall plan to reposition and in fact re-launch the Australian Soccer League, it is an absolutely necessary that the clubs participate in the League move themselves and begin to adopt commercial nicknames which 'potential' supporters can identify with and relate to.

Nowhere is this more important than with the youth of Australia. The claim by a minority that this makes the Philips Soccer League into a laughing stock is a joke in itself.

Australian society traditionally has had nicknames for clubs involved in virtually every code and type of sport in this country.

The claim that this concept is American is simply finding a weak excuse.

It is simply that soccer is waking up to the fact that it is now trading in the 1980's, and is moving out of a very sleepy era when it has been completely out-maneuvred by other sports promotionally.

I notice with great interest in the same issue in the late Rale's column, he too denigrates the concept of nicknames.

I think Rale summarises the whole problem with the minority who are adversaries of nicknames when he states "are we ashamed about the backgrounds of our clubs?"

The backgrounds of our clubs, as he states, is important only to the loyal and dedicated supporters who follow that club avidly every week.

If Rale, or indeed any adversary

of more progressive moves such as changing names to look into the stands on a Sunday afternoon at Philips Soccer League matches, he will in many cases be able to count these loyal and ardent supporters of the sport on his hands. There need not appear to be too many of them.

When are some of the administrators, players and coaches who on one hand want to see their gates trebled going to realise that they will never ever walk into this country as long as they continue to trade under historical "cultural backgrounds". In some cases even the cultural groups that they claim to represent do not support their clubs in great numbers.

Soccer is surrounded by examples in sport of Australia doing things differently than the old home country. Yet many of our soccer people continue to walk and talk with closed eyes, muttering and complaining about innovation and progress.

Australians like entertainment as much as they like sport. Kerry Packer has proved it with cricket time and again.

Take a look at his gate attendances on a night, even though most of the matches were live on television.

Ask Paul Dainty how much money he made from the McEnroe versus Borg tennis match.

Ask Channel 9 what the ratings were of this tennis match.

Is it sport for the sake of only entertainment and sport combined that the public supported in these events?

We are not trying, or hold any hope of, changing the face of soccer in one season.

The plans and activities that are being developed at present are being set down for the next 10 years.

The national league has made a lot of mistakes since the day of its inception, but it has also done a lot of things the right way.

Soccer is like the "Little Aussie battler" and in the true tradition of that expression will undoubtedly win through in the end.

It does not matter at this stage, the support of the Kerry Packers of the world who can provide massive

financial injections as an encouragement to teams and players, plus the important ingredient of enormous television exposure, so we are going to have to do it the hard way.

So yes, the names are nicknames. It is interesting to note that well over 50% of the names selected were suggested by the clubs themselves. They were not imposed on them and not forced upon them by any party whatsoever.

These club names will be the release of club badges reflecting the characters within the nicknames.

These club badges will be inter-related across a broad range of merchandise and in particular supporters' gear.

However, the important point to realise is that we do not expect the supporters' gear to be bought just by the avid supporters of individual clubs.

The badges have been designed in a manner that will make them desirable to the general public. You will undoubtedly find people purchasing supporters' garments and other merchandise at the same time as they attend soccer matches at this stage.

I attended one of the launch trade fairs hosted by Coca-Cola company this week where they presented their range of Kicksport merchandise which they will release in association with the 1981 FIFA World Youth Championship for the Coca-Cola Cup.

Simply to stand in the room and look at the range of merchandise is enough to demonstrate the potential of soccer, and in particular the potential of merchandise carrying logos, emblems and mascots associated with the game.

Activities of ASK Marketing Division

The question was posed to Tony about his satisfaction with the activities of the marketing company and the answer came out appearing to be in the negative.

Most particularly there was no agreement that the activities of the company or its achievements in a relatively short space of time.

He said that he thought that the marketing company will cost the PSL \$25,000 over 12 months, yet he had already earned or secured the PSL double that over the next 12 months in cash and goods.

In other words, the cost has already cancelled itself out against the income. And we are only two months into the year.

On Tony's comments about the Charity Shield game between Marconi Leagues and Sydney Slickers, I must endorse from three months ago that the TV production was not good.

However, the article neglects to state that it was the first soccer game that the Sydney crews of the 6-28 Network had covered.

The soccer industry must have some tolerance and patience as these people learn the best ways to provide coverage of a game from the point-of-view of camera positions, editing, etc.

The comment that the marketing people did little to get sponsorship for the Charity Shield game is a most mysterious one.

Tony neglects to state that we actually raised some \$12,000 worth of cash and goods that went towards the cost of staging that event from sponsorship.

The final point that Tony neglects to mention, particularly for "Soccer Actions" interstate readers, is that the stadium rainout of the game did not stop at all with the exception of about 20 minutes in the second half.

And boy, did it rain! No one will ever know how many spectators might have attended the game if it had not rained.

Sponsorship of the clubs

Tony then goes on to comment that he obviously he would hope that the marketing company will help the individual clubs to raise sponsorship but amazingly states that they have to "keep on our backs".

He neglects to state that we have helped the club get a sponsor and indeed have been in the background in some way of virtually every club sponsorship secured so far this season.

Apart from those whom we have helped already and each of whom has provided only a couple of others have registered the need for assistance. So who is on whose back?

I certainly agree with Tony's comments when he goes on to state that club needs to be investigated thoroughly and means found to build supporter's support for each club and commercial sponsor for each club.

However, before you can start to promote individual clubs you first have to have a very strong foundation stone in the league itself.

It has to be well constructed with its major sponsors totally involved in its development.

First you must have something to sell, like the fact the sport is televised, and then you need names, badges and strips, that there is stadium signage opportunities for people to actually attend the matches in large numbers and so on.

There is a definite benefit to the club to see the money earned dollars to support a club in a sponsorship deal. That the club you are talking to is a long term investment.

Let me give you a few instances.

What the interview then fails to highlight is the role and contribution that the marketing company has made to the league since its inception. It reads to me as though we have been sitting on Hayman Island reading books and not doing a long period of time. Let me give you a few instances.

What the marketing company has done is the Philips Soccer League on television. Strange that the important fact has been omitted from the television coverage, funny enough Philips would not still be a sponsor. Neither would any of the clubs have the sponsorship that they have secured this season.

It was the marketing company that encouraged Phil in his "industries" contribution towards their sponsorship for this season. That has alleviated some financial burden on the clubs.

It was the Marketing company that staged in association with the league and the grand final in Canberra last year as a test to see what would happen if we presented the game to a family market.

That little exercise was heralded as a resounding success by the body, and yet again seems to have been forgotten or omitted.

One small factor related to that event was that the marketing company managed to raise approximately \$7,000 in cash and other goods for the single game.

The list of activities and achievements by the marketing company since its inception is endless.

However, the purpose of this letter is not to promote the marketing company because the only thing that we and in fact everyone else should be interested in, is promoting soccer.

Let us face the task ahead of us. A lot of work has gone into every project and task undertaken so far and there is a great deal more yet to be done.

It will take years and years of diligence and perseverance by everybody to develop the code to the level of support that is could and should enjoy.

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That article adequately expresses the needs and requirements of administrators to bend with the winds of change if they are to enjoy any of the successes they all so desperately strive for.

Criticism is always good and I would encourage it as long as it is constructive criticism. Criticism born out of malice or by innuendo is dangerous and will be prohibitive to the development of the code.

Unity, dedication and patience are also required of the administrators. 'Unity' because it could be the greatest strength of soccer and the single factor that helps the sport leap out of its current state. 'Dedication' because there is so much to be done in a relatively short space of time by so few. 'Patience' because you cannot change 100 years of history overnight, nor with the currently available and the mediums currently available to us, can we enjoy the overnight successes that the Kerry Packer's of the world are renowned for.

But it is a real enemy of soccer at the present. And that enemy is soccer itself.

For goodness sake, don't let us be lulled into a false sense of security by again destroying the confidence of the commercial interests whose support we can only do so with the morale of the young administrators now coming into the sport who definitely want to see it succeed but can only do so with the support of their clubs, associations and the media.

The slogan and a symbol called "Grow with soccer" when we are discussing the sport with potential supporters.

The symbol is a graphic translation of a tree.

In early 1980 the ASF was smart enough to realise that it had to develop the game commercially first to provide the funding and media support needed.

Spectator levels could also then be similarly encouraged and increased.

It did not seek or ask that it be done overnight. The seedling of this tree was planted in late 1980. From 1981 onwards the tree will begin to bear fruit. Fertile it. Don't let keep trying to dig up its roots!

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Unlucky for some? This is often the catch phrase used for number 13.

This week we have a Friday the 13th and according to history this can be a very unlucky day.

On the other hand number 13 has brought luck to gamblers, particularly in the case of bingo and roulette players. Could this number prove lucky when playing the pools? I'm sure it could.

One way to approach this could be in covering 13 matches. This is precisely what I've done with this week's planned entry and details for making the bet will be given at the end of the article.

If you own a black cat and are a little superstitious — then you should put the creature out while you complete this week's pools entry. Oh, and just for good measure, you will note that I have selected match number 13 as a score draw.

No, I am not superstitious, this particular game between Grimsby and Notts County is one of the best score draw prospects on this week's match list.

In the English first division we might see the lowly Crystal Palace scrape a draw with Sunderland. Also in this ladder we could see some close results at Stoke and Wolves. Leading clubs Ipswich and Aston Villa both have home games and look too good for their opponents.

In division two it could pay you to include Blackburn and Orient in your selections. Orient take on Q.P.R. in an all London game and these sort of matches usually go very close. I've already mentioned the fixture at Grimsby and if you study the ladder you will see how evenly balanced the teams are.

In the English divisions three and four I've chosen the games at Blackpool, Swindon,

Hereford and Rochdale. Match numbers 35 and 36 are not league games. There's no current form available for these two games so it's a complete gamble if you include them. If you're using an entry that calls for a larger number of selections — then I suggest you take a punt and include the two non league matches.

A number of this week's Scottish games look well worth following for score draws and in particular I fancy the matches at Morton, Partick, Dundee, Dunfermline, Falkirk, East Fife and Stranraer. In the Premiers, Celtic and Rangers appear to be head and shoulders above their opponents.

My planned entry for this week covers 13 matches and if you would like to try this bet I have left a blank line in the diagram for your selections. It will involve 'five entries' of system 11 and at 50 cents each the investment is \$2.50.

Choose your 13 matches and then reading from left to right put your best three selections in the first three spaces on the blank line. It doesn't matter in what order you place your other matches. When you have entered all your selections on the blank line use the corresponding 'X's as set out in the diagram as you transfer your match numbers on to the entry form.

Take care in the choice of your best three matches as these will be used in each entry of the investment.

With eight score draws in any one of the five system entries you would automatically be assured of a first dividend.

• If one of your best three selections are score draws and you have a further seven score draws falling anywhere among your other matches you could be certain of winning at least three first dividends plus many minor prizes.

Until next week, good luck and good punting.

13 MATCH PLAN
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WEEK 33
14th MARCH, 1981

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Philips League Club Directory

ADELAIDE GIANTS

P.O. BOX 534, NORWOOD, S.A., 5067
SECRETARY: C. Picarello (08) 223 0230 (Bus).
COACH: B. D'Ottavi
GROUND: Olympic Sportsfield, Kensington
 (08) 332 5614, 332 5618

COLOURS: Black, white

This week's match: v. **HEIDELBERG WARRIORS** at Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.



ADELAIDE HAWKS

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE, SA, 5001
SECRETARY: P. Stilianopolous (08) 352 1494
COACH: B. Birch
GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St.
COLOURS: Blue white stripes, blue shorts
SPONSOR: Dominion Finance

This week's match: v. **CANBERRA ARROWS** at National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm.



BLACKTOWN DEMONS

62 SEVEN HILLS ROAD NORTH, SEVEN HILLS 2147
 624 3344

SECRETARY: P. R. Thorne (624 3344)
COACH: R. Rasic
GROUND: Gabbie Stadium, Quinn Ave, Seven Hills
COLOURS: White, red blk trim
 Black, red white trim Black, red white

This week's match: v. **WOLLONGONG WOLVES** at Wollongong Showgrounds (Wollongong) Sunday 3 pm.



BRISBANE GLADIATORS

P.O. BOX 265 BROADWAY, BRISBANE 4001
 Ph: 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale (07) 52 4711
COACH: G. Potter
GROUND: Spencer Park
SPONSOR: Stock 84 Brandy

This week's match: v. **SYDNEY OLYMPIANS** at Spencer Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.



BRISBANE LIONS

P.O. BOX 310 DARRA, QLD, 4076

SECRETARY: L. Oudendyk
COACH: M. Carson
GROUND: Lions Stadium, Pine Rd., Richlands
 (07) 372 2989

COLOURS: Orange and Blue

This week's match: v. **SOUTH MELB GUNNERS** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.



CANBERRA ARROWS

P.O. BOX 910 CANBERRA CITY, ACT 2601 (062) 48 8215

SECRETARY: R. Preston 48 8215
COACH: G. Murray
GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce
SPONSOR: "Lotto"
COLOURS: White with multi colour stripes

This week's match: v. **ADELAIDE HAWKS** at National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm.



HEIDELBERG WARRIORS

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066
MANAGER: O. Norris 792 9348 (Bus)
 459 4652 (AH)

SECRETARY: S. Rombotis 428 3720
COACH: M. Polukakis
GROUND: Olympic Park (03) 42 0642

COLOURS: Blk and gold

This week's match: v. **ADELAIDE GIANTS** at Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.



FOOTSCRAY EAGLES

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: L. Tanovski, 470 4734
COACH: C. Cirkovic
GROUND: Schintler Reserve, Footscray Road, Footscray
COLOURS: Blue, white, red.

This week's match: v. **PRESTON RAMS** at O'Connor Reserve (Melbourne) 3 pm.



LEICHHARDT STRIKERS

38-42 FRAZER ST, LEICHHARDT, 2040

SECRETARY: H. Ambrose (02) 516 1688
COACH: W. Wallace
GROUND: Lambert Park, 569 6845 (match day)
PROMOTION OFFICER: T. Raciti 82 0187
COLOURS: Maroon, sky blue

This week's match: v. **NEWCASTLE K.B. RAIDERS** at Lambert Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



NEWCASTLE KB RAIDERS

4 NORTHWOOD ST, ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, 2289

SECRETARY: P. Trisley (049) 24 930 (Bus)
COACH: A. VEST
GROUND: International Sports Centre,
 Turton Rd, New Lambton (049) 52 1224

SPONSOR: Tooth & Co, Brewers of KB Beer

This week's match: v. **LEICHHARDT STRIKERS** at Lambert Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



MARCONI LEOPARDS

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, NSW 2176

SECRETARY: M. Urukalo (02) 604 5095
 604 5222

COACH: R. Blanco
GROUND: Marconi Stadium, Marconi Rd, Bossley Park
COLOURS: White & red, blue trim

SPONSOR: Datsun

This week's match: **SYDNEY SLICKERS** at Sydney Athletic Field (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



PRESTON RAMS

211 SMITH ST, FITZROY, VIC 3065

SECRETARY: P. Mouka 651 2401
COACH: B. Edgley
GROUND: B. T. Connor Reserve,
 Cnr Radford Rd & Broadhurst Ave, Reservoir.

COLOURS: Red, black, gold

This week's match: v. **FOOTSCRAY EAGLES** at O'Connor Reserve (Melbourne) 3 pm.



STH. MELBOURNE GUNNERS

P.O. BOX 64, ST KILDA WEST, Vic, 3182

HONORARY SECRETARY: N. Sagiakos,
 528 6196 (Bus) (Restaurant 534 4141)

COACH: J. Margaritis
GROUND: Middle Park Stadium, Middle Park.
COLOURS: Blue and white.

This week's match: v. **BRISBANE LIONS** at Middle Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.

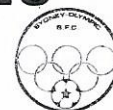


SYDNEY OLYMPIANS

P.O. BOX 291 WATERLOO, N.S.W. 2017

SECRETARY: N. Smillis 88 1337
COACH: T. Docherty
GROUND: Pratten Park
COLOURS: Royal blue, white

This week's match: v. **BRISBANE GLADIATORS** at Spencer Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm.



SYDNEY SLICKERS

61 HALL ST, BONDI, N.S.W. 2026

SECRETARY: D. Childs (02) 30 3344 (Bus)
 (AH) 525 7734

COACH: E. Thomson
GROUND: Sydney Sports Ground
SPONSOR: Presto Smallgoods

COLOURS: Sky blue, white hoops (White shorts) red socks

This week's match: v. **MARCONI LEOPARDS** at Sydney Athletic Field (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



WOLLONGONG WOLVES

P.O. BOX 1706 WOLLONGONG

SECRETARY: R. Drake (042) 29 2018 (Bus)
COACH: K. Morton
GROUND: Wollongong Showgrounds
COLOURS: Red, white trim

This week's match: v. **BLACKTOWN DEMONS** at Wollongong Showgrounds (Wollongong) Sunday 3 pm.